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I. INTRODUCTION

The perceptual and cognitive operations involved in making observations and drawing inferences from those observations are extremely complex. For this reason the construction of stimulus settings which examine these operations and the development of instruments which can predict who will most effectively perform these operations, require a careful formulation of the problems inherent in these undertakings. In this paper we outline a research design which furnishes a definition of these problems, offers a procedure for their solution, and describes the results of research conducted within this framework.

The general approach to developing adequate stimulus settings has been discussed in the previous studies conducted under this program.* In that research the focus was on developing the settings and standardizing their application. To that end, three short films were used to establish "standardized settings," and procedures for determining criteria and scoring observers (I.O.E.) were produced. However, these results still leave unclear the questions of "efficiency of observations in applied settings" and whether or not people who score high on these criteria are "good observers" in any other setting, particularly the interpersonal setting.

The question of "applied settings" can be answered finally only in field tests. However, it is possible to expand the number of experimental settings used in order to provide a better indication of the generalizability of observational abilities. At a minimum, this expansion should include both the observing bystander and the active participant roles. This should be done not simply in the interest of a broader empirical base

* "Developing the I.O.E.," Unpublished paper, August 1974.

but because there may be some qualitative differences between the observational abilities demonstrated in these two areas.*

The program we conducted expands the stimulus settings by including a broader bystander stimulus and by devising a vehicle to put observational and inferential behavior in an interpersonal setting (namely, a small group discussion). It maintains the general objective of the previous research in that we attempt to build a standardized vehicle for judging observational, as well as inferential, behavior. The number of stimuli and the capability to use the same stimuli for observation and for inference will be included in this analysis, whereas they were treated separately in the previous effort.

Attempts were also made to relate observational abilities to other variables in the previous research. This was part of an effort to provide both a direct and an indirect means of measuring observational effectiveness. This endeavor was unsuccessful, largely, we feel, due to the failure to provide any kind of a theoretical setting for the analysis. Thus, a "shotgun" was applied in this important linking effort. Tagiuri describes previous efforts to relate various theoretical approaches to the quality of personal perception.** His analysis leads to the conclusion that cognitive style or complexity has shown the greatest amount of promise as a predictor of effective observation of or inference about other people.***

* Tagiuri, Renato, "Person Perception," in Lindzey, Gardner and Arouson, Elliot, The Handbook of Social Psychology Vol. III (Reading, Massachusetts: Addison Wesley, 1968), pp.395-449. Much of our discussion on the requirements of useful studies of interpersonal observation is drawn from or supported by this excellent literature summary.

** Ibid.

***At this point we will not present a rigorous analysis of the link between cognitive complexity and observational/inferential ability. That is available in Orend, Richard J., "Observation, Inference, and Cognitive Structure," HumRRO Special Report ED-75-23. But, a brief description of how we

Our objective, however, was not to validate a theory, but to develop means for measuring observational and inferential abilities, and to identify the best predictors of those abilities. To that end we developed a multi-measure, multi-trait research study designed to help resolve those problems. The research described herein is the result of that effort. The conduct of this research followed as closely as possible the approach and methodology described in our original proposal.

The remainder of this paper will be devoted to a description of the approach and methodology used in the study and the presentation of research findings in three areas: 1) the development of observation and inference test instruments; 2) the identification of inference and observation abilities in individuals and the relationship of those capabilities to other individual characteristics; and 3) a special examination of the relationship of observation and inference capabilities, and cognitive complexity level to PAS personality types. Before beginning this description, however, we will present the basic objectives of the study as they were developed during the early stages of the project.

approached this problem in the earlier paper is in order prior to turning to the details of the technical proposal. Essentially, the level of complexity exhibited by an individual is indicative of the amount of information he needs to process about a particular situation. Thus, the higher the complexity, the greater the information need and the greater the information processing capability. It follows that an individual of high complexity would be a better observer because of greater need for information and a better inference drawer because of a greater capacity to relate and draw conclusions from the information observed. It is also possible to separate the good observer without inference skills from the good observer with inference skills, thus completing the model of possible types. In this case the highly differentiated subject would be a good observer, but would not necessarily be able to make accurate inferences if he were not also highly integrated. The complexity model is not as simple as it has been portrayed here, but it operates generally within this framework. Unfortunately, despite offering the best theoretical possibility for an indirect measurement of observational and inferential abilities, our findings do not offer much support to these hypotheses.

II. OBJECTIVES

As a result of the considerations discussed in the introduction, the following objectives were developed for this study:

- A. Determine which individuals possess greater observational abilities in nonpersonal and in interpersonal situations, and determine the relationship between observational abilities in those situations.
- B. Determine which individuals possess greater inferential abilities in nonpersonal and interpersonal situations, and determine the relationship between inferential abilities in these two areas.
- C. Examine the empirical relationships between observational and inferential (including behavior prediction) capabilities of subjects in this research.
- D. Determine if "focusing" in interpersonal situations is related to increased observation and inference.
- E. Identify variables which may serve as predictors of good observation and inference skills, and test for the extent to which they differentiate good from poor observers and inferers.
- F. Discuss the theoretical role of cognitive complexity in inference and observation behavior.*

These objectives represent the scope of the research plan as it was originally specified in the proposal and its addendum. In the explication of the approach and methodology used in the study it will be apparent that the conduct of the study and the analysis of the data are somewhat more elaborate than is implied by these objectives. This is particularly true

*This was done in detail in HumRRO Special Report ED-75-23, submitted in August 1975, and will not be repeated here.

III. APPROACH

Given our objectives, the primitive state of conceptualization about the predictors of accurate observation and inference, and limited information about the situations we were trying to simulate, it was determined that multiple measurements of observation and inference should be used, and that a wide variety of potential predictor variables should be tested. Thus, our overall approach to this research problem was (1) to create stimulus settings which reflected real-life situations, while maintaining some control over these events to insure comparability of outcomes; (2) to develop instruments to measure observation and inference abilities; (3) to identify as many potential predictors of these skills as possible; and (4) to provide a stimulus film for alternative measurement sources and as a possible indicator of relevant skills.

The basic elements of the sponsor-described observation and inference tasks were (1) that the applied setting conditions allow only a limited exposure to the stimulus, and (2) that the observer not have control over the content of that situation and, therefore, base inferences only on available information. Our efforts to reproduce this environment resulted in the selection of four-person groups as the primary vehicle for providing stimulus settings, in which subjects had the occasion to observe three other people as they discussed topics of their own choosing.

Since topics were selected by group members and all participants were aware they would later respond to observation and inference questionnaires, there was opportunity to pursue a particular group member in order to broaden the basis for later responses. However, as the subjects were not aware of the exact nature of observations and inferences to be made, they were not able to pursue specific interests related to subsequent questioning.

This limitation has a counterpart in applied settings where the observer, although aware from the beginning of the kinds of inferences necessary, probably has less control over the topic and direction of interaction than did our subjects. Nevertheless, the lack of an exact target for inferences was undoubtedly a hindrance in drawing accurate conclusions and may have influenced our success in identifying types of people able to infer well in applied settings.

As part of our effort to overcome setting limitations, we included multiple measurements of observation and inference, two for the former and three for the latter. The key to this approach was a testable assumption that observational and inferential tasks were related across settings, and that if this condition prevailed in our data, the limitations of our experimental settings could be at least partially countered. In this case we used observations of a film and of individuals in the small group as the two stimulus conditions. For inference we tested for behavioral inferences about individuals in the film and in the small group, and for inferences about self-perceptions of the group participants. A final distinction of both observation and inference was between focussed and unfocussed subjects in the group setting. This procedure added another dimension to the situational sets by providing for a test of differences involving one or several stimuli in the same setting.

For predictor variables a similar approach was taken, but selections were made on a somewhat less systematic basis. Our concern was to include all types of variables which might be useful predictors of observation and inference skills. We also made some variable selection on the basis of potential theoretical significance, i.e., the cognitive complexity scales, and some on the basis of sponsor preference, i.e., the PAS and a paper-and-

pencil personality inventory. These predictor variables were added to demographic and SES variables to form the basic set of indicators. This "shotgun" approach was probably beneficial, however, in the face of a lack of substantial theoretical or empirical results in previous research and given the interests of the sponsor in finding the best predictors of inferential skills regardless of the causal path between skill level and predictor. Our analysis procedures also reflect that interest.

By using the same subjects in both film and small group conditions, it was possible to test for the interaction of observation and inference scores both within and between stimulus settings. Thus, if inference and observation skills were related, it would have been possible to identify that relationship for use as an indication of the transferability of skills (and thereby increasing the credibility of our design) and to use the film results as predictors of interpersonal skills. This unfortunately was not the case. (See page 79, Section VI, for results.)

A final general consideration in our approach to this project was the selection of subjects, who, ideally, should have been agency operatives. Since this was not possible, we sought out subjects who were easily obtainable and who matched operatives as closely as possible. Given certain limitations on the use of other government employees, we finally settled on college students, who resemble operatives in educational and probably some socio-economic characteristics, and a smaller group of insurance salesmen and executives, who need observation and inference skills in interpersonal settings which might roughly parallel those of an operative, in form if not in content. Of course, selection of subjects was limited by the willingness of organizations to allow use of their facilities and tapping of their population resources. In any case, these

two groups did show some significant differences in observational and inferential skills, a possible indication of the effects of job requirements on the development of certain kinds of skills not necessarily present or normally used.

It is useful at this juncture to specifically enumerate some of the limitations of our approach, the most significant of which is the fact that we are not operating with a truly experimental format. There are several aspects of the testing situation which are not under direct control and therefore are subject to unavoidable and untraceable confounding. This is by design, due to our objectives, but it is noteworthy because it could lead to conclusions about the potential contributors which are clouded by the lack of control exercised over the procedures. Our statistical approach to analyzing these data is an attempt to partially overcome this problem.

A second limitation to our approach is that observation and inference scale scores and predictive analyses based on those scores are conducted using the same subjects. Although inclusion of scale items is not dependent on external validity criteria (i.e., we use only a test of item documentation), there remains a problem of non-independence of the samples. Nor were we able to apply standard remedies for this situation, e.g., randomly dividing subjects for scale construction and validation phases, because the N was too small to allow use of multivariate analysis techniques during the validation phase. However, because of the procedures used on constructing scales, i.e., essentially elementing only those items which do not discriminate between high and low scores, the lack of independence should provide minimal bias to the final outcome.

Finally, our objectives did not include the testing of specific theoretically-derived hypotheses. We are primarily interested in identifying the best predictors and only secondarily interested in explaining why our results occurred as they did. This restriction of interests reduces the impact of the previously-mentioned design problems because it calls for less stringent assumptions.

IV. METHODOLOGY

In this section we shall describe the organization of the data collection, the development of the testing instruments, and the selection of subjects. A detailed description of the testing procedures is contained in Appendix A.

The general procedures used in this project were as follows:

(1) Paid volunteer subjects at two locations were given a battery of tests, including instruments measuring cognitive complexity level, personality characteristics, and previous behavior in a wide variety of situations. This constituted Phase I of the study.

(2) From this group of approximately 260 subjects we selected those who were to return for the second phase of the research. The selection was made primarily on the basis of availability, that is, everyone who was willing (there were fewer than ten refusals) and able to meet scheduling requirements was asked to return for the second session.

(3) During Phase 2, subjects viewed a film featuring two people in actualization group session, then responded to questions about what happened in the film (observation) and about the behavior of the two main characters outside the context of the film (inference).

(4) Phase 3 consisted of a one-hour, small group session during which subjects discussed a topic of their choice. Following these sessions, subjects were asked questions about the characteristics of other group members (observation) and behaviors they might have engaged in outside the group context (inference).

(5) Following Phase 3, subjects were paid (\$13 each) and asked to attend the debriefing period held at the end of all group sessions.

The Sample: Subjects originally tested in Phase I were either students at a major Southern university (N = 188)* or individuals with some connection with the insurance business, mostly salesmen, from the Philadelphia area (N = 49)†. The students were solicited by newspaper and poster advertising and a promise of up to \$13 for their trouble (for participation in all three phases)**. The insurance people were solicited by letter using the letterhead of a school they had all attended. The same reward was offered for their participation, although they had to exhibit a somewhat stronger motivation to attend since the distances to the testing location were much greater.

The student sample was relatively equally divided between men and women, 46% to 54%. Only 14% of the insurance people were women.

Selection of subjects for participation in Phases II-III was done on the basis of availability: everyone who was willing, able to come at a specified time (a morning, afternoon or evening in a one-week period) and could be scheduled with at least three other subjects of the same sex, was asked to return. This last criterion created the greatest difficulties and caused the largest loss of subjects. Within that framework, subjects were randomly assigned to four-person groups for participation in Phase III. (Phase II required no groups.)

Of 188 students, 160 participated in the small-group segment of the study. These were divided into 21 female groups and 19 male groups. Of 49 insurance people, 28 participated in the small-group discussion, and

* The N equals the number who completed testing in Phase I. Several others did not complete the testing and were dropped from the sample before data was processed.

** Those participating only in Phase I were paid \$5. Phases I and II-III took approximately the same length of time. The difference in payments, \$5 versus \$8, was used to help maintain interest in returning. Even with a reward of \$13, however, the turnout of students was somewhat lower than we had expected.

only one of the seven groups was composed of women. Thus, the final distribution of groups was 22 female and 25 male (N = 188)*

Predictor Variables: Because the primary objective of this study was to identify variables which effectively predict observation and inference abilities and because there was little in the literature to help narrow the choice of variables, a broadly-based selection procedure was adopted. The guiding principles were the extant theory, the results of empirical research relevant to this problem, the special interests of the sponsor, and the amount of time available for testing. Tagiuri's extensive review of person perception literature concludes that no strong predictors of that ability exist, but that the most promising theoretical approach is cognitive complexity** For this reason a measure of cognitive complexity was included as an independent variable***

Other researchers have shown relationships between inferential tasks and several personality variables. These relationships have not been strong, but their continued appearance suggested the use of a general personality measure. For that purpose we selected Cattells' 16PF, which

* The reader will note that this N fluctuates somewhat in the reported results. This is due to several cases of missing data, attributable to the failure of subjects to complete all questionnaires properly. Because the subject responses remained anonymous it was not possible to separate out those who did not complete questionnaires prior to assigning them to groups. This meant that someone who did not finish a questionnaire crucial to evaluating inference scores could still have participated in the group sessions and thereby negate the inference results for three other group members.

** Tagiuri, Renato. "Person Perception," in Lindsey, Gardner and Aronson, Elliot, Handbook of Social Psychology. Reading, Mass: Addison-Wesley, 1968, pp. 395-449. Also see Orend, Richard J. "Observation, Inference and Cognitive Structure," Special Report #ED-75-23. Alexandria, VA: Human Resources Research Organization, 1975.

*** The measure was developed by Robert Zajonc ("The Process of Cognitive Timing in Communication," Journal of Abnormal and Social Psychology, LXI, 2(1960), pp. 159-167). The version used in this study was first used by Richard J. Orend (Policy Making Regarding the Drug Problem: An Experimental Study of Cognitive Complexity and Small Group Decision-Making, Unpublished Ph.D. Dissertation, Michigan State University, 1973).

provides 16 primary and 4 secondary personality dimensions for inclusion as predictor (independent) variables.* A second set of personality variables included was the Personality Assessment System (PAS), which is based on the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale (WAIS).** Because of difficulties in individually administering the WAIS (approximately one hour for each test), only 107 of the total number of subjects who participated in Phases II and III have completed PAS profiles. To accommodate this discrepancy and the fact that results are in categorical form, separate analyses were run on PAS variables.

A small set of demographic and socio-economic variables was also included in the analysis. These include: sex, income, grades, marital status, religion, and insurance/non-insurance. Commonly-used factors, such as education level and occupation, were not included because they were closely related to other variables (occupation) or exhibited little variance (education). Normal score, which is derived from the WAIS and approximates an IQ score, was also used for those subjects who took the WAIS.

In addition to the first-order variables, interactions were used as regression vectors in the cases of sex and cognitive complexity. These two important variables (sex because it is the best predictor and complexity because of its theoretical significance) were interacted with each of the other independent variables in the analysis.

The final predictors used in the discussion group phase of the study were the test-created factors. First, one subject in each group was

* Cattell, Raymond, Eber, Herbert, and Tatsuoka, Maurice, Handbook for the Sixteen Personality Factor Questionnaire, Illinois, Institute for Personality and Ability Testing, 1970.

** Winne, John F. and Gittinger, John W., "An Introduction to the Personality Assessment System," Journal of Clinical Psychology, Monograph Supplement #38, April, 1973.

given special instructions to focus his/her attention on another member of the group. Observation and inference scores were expected to be different for those subjects who were in this condition and those who were not. (Subsequent analyses showed little difference between focused and unfocused subjects in either observation or inference.)

Second, the scores on film observation and inference tasks may themselves be viewed as predictors of the more "important" interpersonal observation and inference scores. Thus, one aspect of our analysis was to determine if the film scores would be significant independent variables. Unfortunately, the relationships were of a small magnitude and did not add to our ability to predict interpersonal scores.

Taken together, these variables constitute a total of 51 first-order predictors. This includes viewing PAS scores at both primitive and basic levels, as well as examining individual scores on the three personality dimensions.

Stimulus Settings: Two distinctive stimulus settings were created to maximize the opportunity to measure the appropriate kinds of observation and inference skills. Since it was not possible to specify the exact nature of observations or inferences to be drawn in "real world" situations, a multiple-measurement approach was taken. The film provided an opportunity to measure observation and inference in a relatively detached situation, without the influence of ego involvement or the disruption of interpersonal interactions. The film depicted two people, one male and one female, in a small "self-actualization" group, who were attempting to come to grips with personal problems. Both exhibited a rather wide range of emotions; thus the film presented a probably better-than-average

opportunity to draw inferences about other types of behavior than would most interpersonal interactions, especially those of such short duration.

Subjects were shown the film and immediately requested to answer questions about events in the film and about inferred behaviors of the major participants.

Following the film phase subjects were divided into four-person groups for the interpersonal discussion phase. The purpose of this phase was to determine how people reacted in direct-contact situations, a setting more likely in the environment we were trying to emulate. This setting afforded subjects an opportunity to discuss among themselves one or more "controversial" issues of their own choosing, as well as an average of 15 to 20 minutes for a subject to observe each of the other participants in the group. This was approximately the length of time they observed film subjects, and thus the two settings were roughly equal on this dimension.

Controversy was introduced into the group sessions as a means of generating and holding interest, and because it seemed more likely to reveal the character of the subjects. The amount of controversy which actually took place in groups varied from group to group. Generally, female groups were less likely to engage in open argument and were more likely to shy away from truly controversial subjects. Male groups were more likely to engage in overt arguing, and disagreement was more readily expressed. This could be a partial explanation for the superior performance of females in the group situation (i.e., lower emotional involvement and therefore greater concentration on the study tasks), but since hard data were not kept on the amount of controversy, this proposition is impossible to test in this context.

It was felt that real-world observers usually know in advance for what they are looking. In order to provide a better chance for making appropriate observations and inferences, subjects were told, in both the film and the group phases, that they would be asked questions about what happened during the film or group session. We could not be explicit in our instructions, but we did not hide our interest in discovering how the subjects performed in these areas. The fact that group sessions immediately followed a testing period in which subjects answered observation and inference questions about the film should also have provided the subjects with evidence about our interests.

Dependent Variables: There were a total of twelve dependent variables used in the study. The four of greatest interest are film observation, film (Bob and Mary Jane) inference, discussion group observation, and discussion group inference.

Film Observation: This test was a measure of how well subjects noticed what went on in the film. (See Appendix L for a description of the procedures used to develop this questionnaire.) It was designed to represent basic observational skills in a non-personal situation. Since the questionnaire was administered just after the subjects saw the film, it tested only immediate recall. The focus of the questions was on three areas, the physical characteristics of the major participants (Bob and Mary Jane), their verbal behavior, and the environment in which they operated.

Film Inference: The score developed for film inference was a composite of two scores; one was inferences about Mary Jane and the other was about Bob. A total score was created by using the means of the separate results. (Establishing criteria for judging the "correctness" of the

inferences is discussed in Appendix L.) Table IV-1 shows means and variances for film questions.

Discussion Group Observation: Each group member was tested on his/her observations on only the physical appearance characteristics of each of the other group participants. (See Appendix G.) An observation score was produced by summing the three individual observation scores made by each subject. Differences in individual observation scores, i.e., differences between a subject's observations of each of the other three people in the group, were ignored in the interest of creating an overall score.*

Discussion Group Inference: The primary aim of the inference test was to determine which subjects demonstrated superior skills at inferring the behavior of other subjects. The behavior questionnaire filled out by each subject during Phase I was the criterion for determining the veridicality of inferences. Questions asked following group sessions were essentially the same questions used in the behavior questionnaire (Appendix C) turned around to refer to other group members (Appendix H). It was felt that self-report information was the most valid, and certainly the most convenient, means of identifying most of the behaviors. Previous behavior patterns, rather than attitudes or values, were used because they represent definite manifestations of a set of attitudes and because they are easier for the subjects to identify. They also possess a stability that is often not present in the expression of attitudes and values.

* It is possible that individuals who were consistent in their scores are somehow different from those who are inconsistent. It would have been possible to explore this area, given additional time. It seems likely, however, that a large part of the inconsistency exhibited by some subjects may be attributable to the subject they were observing. Since it would not have been possible to identify those differences on the basis of available data, it was determined that such inconsistencies should be treated as if they had occurred randomly, and a total score was used.

	<u>Total Sample</u>	<u>Insurance Salespersons</u>	<u>All Males</u>	<u>Males (not insurance)</u>	<u>All Females</u>	<u>Females (not insurance)</u>
Observation:						
N	188	28	100	76	88	84
\bar{x}	9.050	9.592	9.271	9.139	8.898	8.893
SD	2.634	2.769	2.799	2.840	2.459	2.420
Max. range	0-16	0-16	0-16	0-16	0-16	0-16
Inference:						
Bob:						
N	188	28	100	76	88	84
\bar{x}	9.185	8.637	8.650	8.684	9.793	9.821
SD	3.266	3.226	2.772	2.748	3.672	3.617
Max. range	0-16	0-16	0-16	0-16	0-16	0-16
Mary Jane:						
N	188	28	100	76	88	84
\bar{x}	10.746	11.409	10.270	9.987	11.287	11.212
SD	3.228	2.896	3.143	3.186	3.256	3.265
Max. range	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20

Table IV-1: Means and Standard Deviations of Scores on Film Observation and Inference Tests

Inference scores were determined in the same manner as observation scores, by summing the three inference test scores by each subject. Again, we made the assumption that internal differences were randomly distributed.*

Distribution for observation and inference scores can be found in Table IV-2

Adjective Checklist: The final set of dependent variables used in the study were the eight dimensions from the modified Adjective Checklist (ACL).** In this exercise we asked subjects to infer how others were evaluating themselves on the ACL. Each subject filled out the ACL on himself/herself and then responded to the same list with instructions to judge how other group members had filled out the test for themselves. In this case, subjects were asked to infer self-evaluations rather than past behaviors. Essentially, this approach was used because self-evaluation was thought to be a useful alternative means to infer potential behavior. Comparisons were made between the scores on each scale (assuming individual items had little or no meaning). Thus, if individual A rated himself 5 on the Aggression scale and individual B though A rated himself 7, B received a score of 2, indicating a difference of 2 points. Total scores were calculated by summing the three difference scores on each of the eight scales. Analyses were then carried out using each scale as a dependent variable. (See Table IV-3.)

* An argument that this was not the case could easily be made on the basis of rather low multiple R's obtained in our regression analyses. It is possible that a specific aspect of the individuals or the testing situation produced these somewhat disappointing results. However, it was not possible to detect these problems on the basis of available data. The analyses we did run did not point to any specific problems. The results of our analyses will be presented and discussed in greater detail below.

** 1. Self-Confidence; 2. Self-Control; 3. Personal Adjustment; 4. Achievement (need); 5. Endurance; 6. Affiliation (need); 7. Aggression; 8. Change.

	<u>Total Sample</u>	<u>Insurance Salespersons</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Males (not insurance)</u>	<u>All Females</u>	<u>Females (not insurance)</u>
Observation:						
N	180	28	0	72	0	80
\bar{x}	26.672	26.143	24.677	24.528	29.012	28.788
SD	5.143	5.407	4.479	4.466	4.787	4.815
*Max. range	0-48	0-48	0-48	0-48	0-48	0-48
Inference:						
N	180	28	0	72	0	80
\bar{x}	83.582	85.579	80.586	79.833	85.963	86.256
SD	8.676	7.789	9.287	8.229	8.266	8.216
*Max. range	0-138	0-138	0-138	0-138	0-138	0-138

*Score ranges based on total possible points obtainable on three other group participants.

Table IV-2: Means and Standard Deviations of Scores on Discussion Group Observation and Inference Tests.

Table IV-3: Means and Standard Deviations for Summed Differences on Adjective Checklist Scales

	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Standard Deviation</u>	<u>N</u>
Self-Confidence	5.953	2.945	179
Self Control	4.054	1.887	179
Personal Adjustment	4.919	2.492	179
Achievement Motivation	6.804	3.428	179
Endurance	5.547	2.651	179
Affiliation	5.595	2.742	179
Aggression	4.724	2.289	179
Change	2.823	1.340	179

In this section we have described the methods used in creation of variables and developing the stimulus settings. Detailed descriptions of testing procedures and certain test constructions are contained in the Appendices. In the next section we shall describe the development of final inference and observation instruments (with item analysis). Following that the analysis results will be presented.

V. DEVELOPMENT OF OBSERVATION AND INFERENCE MEASURES

Item Analysis of Dependent Measures

In order to maximize the sensitivity of the tests of observation and inference ability, each item in each instrument was evaluated in terms of its capacity to provide information concerning differences in performance among the experimental subjects; non-informative items were eliminated from the instruments.

For each instrument, subjects' (S's) item scores (1 = right; 0 = wrong) and total score (the sum of 1's) were entered into a computer program designed for item analysis. The program returns three measures for each item:

- (1) Item difficulty (p) - the proportion of subjects passing the item. Generally a "p" value of .50 is considered potentially most informative; items with a p-value of 100 (all pass) or 0 (all fail) provide no differential group of subjects on the ability which the item is intended to assess.
- (2) Item discrimination power - the ability of an item to discriminate between high-scoring and low-scoring subjects (in terms of total test score). The index of item discrimination is the point-biserial correlation (r_{pbi}) between an item and the total test. The potential range is 0 to 1.00; as p diverges from .50, r_{pbi} tends to decrease.
- (3) The number of S's in the upper half of the total-score range who passed the item and the number of S's in the lower half of the total-score range who passed the item. As the ratio of upper-half to lower-half passers increases, r_{pbi} tends to increase.

In the present study, it was anticipated that sex differences in the ability to make accurate observations and inferences would exist; thus, to ensure that discriminating items were present for both sexes, the item analysis was carried out separately for male and female subgroups.

Tables V-1 through V-5 (column a) summarize the results of the item analyses for the initial instruments. With regard to p-values, the data indicate that while the mean and median values are generally near the optimum value of .5, the items for each instrument tend to distribute evenly over a wide range. For example, Table V-2 shows that for both males and females the mean and median p is quite close to .5; yet over a range of approximately .15 to .9 the number of items in each interval, given a slight fall-off at the extremes, is similar.

Item discriminating power, measured by r_{pbi} , is rather low. For all instruments r_{pbi} ranges from near zero to around .5, with most items clustering in the bottom half of the range. Table V-4 (Discussion Group Observations) is illustrative: for males, two-thirds of the items have an r_{pbi} of .3 or less, while for females the corresponding proportion is about three-fourths; mean r_{pbi} for males and females respectively is .275 and .258.

Items were eliminated from each instrument depending on their discriminating power. Generally, a decision to retain or discard an item is based on the statistical significance of the item-total test correlation. In the case of r_{pbi} its standard error cannot be computed, so a conventional test of significance is not available.*

* Guilford, J.P., Fundamental Statistics in Psychology and Education, 2d ed., (New York: McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc.), 1950, p.328.

	Initial Item Set		Reduced Item Set
# items	26		16
Statistics	Males (n=100)	Females (n=88)	Total n (188)
mean p	.653	.676	.550
median p	.720	.745	.593
range of p	.220-.950	.227-1.00	.223-.840
distribution of p	< .3=3 .3-.399=0 .4-.499=5 .5-.599=1 .6-.699=3 .7-.799=6 .8-.899=4 .9-1.0=4	< .3=2 .3-.399=4 .4-.499=0 .5-.599=1 .6-.699=4 .7-.799=6 .8-.899=5 .9-1.0=4	.2-.299=3 .3-.399=2 .4-.499=1 .5-.599=2 .6-.699=4 .7-.799=2 .8-.899=2
mean r_{pbi}	.326	.303	.318
median r_{pbi}	.335	.299	.313
range r_{pbi}	0-.588	0-.508	.038-.486
distribution of r_{pbi}	< .3=9 .3-.399=9 .4-.499=7 .5-.599=1	< .3=13 .3-.399=9 .4-.499=3 .5-.599=1	< .1=1 .2-.299=6 .3-.399=6 .4-.499=3
	1a		1b

Table V-1: Summary of Item Analysis for Film Observation Questionnaire; Initial Item Set (1a) and Reduced Item Set (1b)

	Initial Item Set		Reduced Item Set
# items	39		20
Statistics	Males (n=100)	Females (n=88)	Total n (188)
mean p	.542	.547	.525
median p	.520	.545	.505
range of p	.190-.920	.136-.920	.186-.830
distribution of p	<.3=3 .3-.399=6 .4-.499=8 .5-.599=6 .6-.699=6 .7-.799=5 .8-.899=4 .9-1.0 =1	<.3=3 .3-.399=7 .4-.499=6 .5-.599=7 .6-.699=6 .7-.799=6 .8-.899=3 .9-1.0 =1	<.3=1 .3-.399=4 .4-.499=5 .5-.599=2 .6-.699=4 .7-.799=2 .8-.899=2
mean r_{pbi}	.201	.199	.283
median r_{pbi}	.174	.211	.291
range of r_{pbi}	.008-.488	.110-.466	.148-.414
distribution of r_{pbi}	<.3=29 .3-.399=7 .4-.499=3	<.3=30 .3-.399=6 .4-.499=3	<.2=2 <.3=8 .3-.399=9 .4-.499=1
	2a		2b

Table V-2: Summary of Item Analysis for Film Inference Questionnaire (Mary Jane); Initial Item Set (2a) and Reduced Item Set (2b)

	Initial Item Set		Reduced Item Set
# items	39		16
Statistics	Males (n=100)	Females (n=88)	Total n (188)
mean p	.580	.564	.529
median p	.600	.591	.548
range of p	.180-.930	.193-.943	.207-.734
distribution of p	<.3=6 .3-.399=5 .4-.499=1 .5-.599=7 .6-.699=6 .7-.799=7 .8-.899=5 .9-1.0 =2	<.3=6 .3-.399=4 .4-.499=5 .5-.599=6 .6-.699=8 .7-.799=4 .8-.899=2 .9-1.0 =4	<.3=1 .3-.399=4 .4-.499=1 .5-.599=4 .6-.699=2 .7-.799=4
mean r_{pbi}	.207	.213	.313
median r_{pbi}	.186	.194	.329
range of r_{pbi}	.034-.421	.003-.551	.120-.451
distribution of r_{pbi}	<.3=28 .3-.399=9 .4-.499=2	<.3=30 .3-.399=5 .4-.499=3 .5-.599=1	<.2=2 .2-.299=5 .3-.399=7 .4-.499=2
	3a		3b

Table V-3: Summary of Item Analysis for Film Inference Questionnaire (Bob);
Initial Item Set (3a) and Reduced Item Set (3b)

	Initial Item Set		Reduced Item Set
# items	19		16
Statistics	*Males (n=100)	*Females (n=88)	*Total n (188)
mean p	.572	.611	.556
median p	.587	.678	.557
range of p	.257-.960	.004-.996	.317-.766
distribution of p	<.3=2 .3-.399=4 .4-.499=2 .5-.599=2 .6-.699=4 .7-.799=2 .8-.899=2 .9-1.0 =1	<.3=2 .3-.399=1 .4-.499=4 .5-.599=1 .6-.699=3 .7-.799=6 .8-.899=0 .9-1.0 =2	.3-.399=3 .4-.499=5 .5-.599=0 .6-.699=3 .7-.799=5
mean r_{pbi}	.275	.258	.299
median r_{pbi}	.265	.258	.273
range of r_{pbi}	.039-.475	.039-.464	.179-.476
distribution of r_{pbi}	<.3=12 .3-.399=6 .4-.499=1	<.3=14 .3-.399=3 .4-.499=2	<.2=1 .2-.299=8 .3-.399=4 .4-.499=3
	4a		4b

Table V-4: Summary of Item Analysis for Discussion Group Observation
Questionnaire; Initial Item Set (4a) and Reduced Item Set (4b)

*Statistics computed on items pooled from three administrations per S,
i.e., 3x100=300 male response, 3x88=264 female responses.

	Initial Item Set		Reduced Item Set
# items	64		46
Statistics	*Males (n=100)	*Females (n=88)	*Total n (188)
mean p	.610	.643	.598
median p	.617	.693	.643
range of p	.013-.976	.046-1.00	.209-.916
distribution of p	<.3=7 .3-.399=5 .4-.499=9 .5-.599=9 .6-.669=9 .7-.799=9 .8-.899=12 .9-1.0 =4	<.3=7 .3-.399=4 .4-.499=11 .5-.599=5 .6-.699=6 .7-.799=8 .8-.899=11 .9-1.0 =12	<.3=5 .3-.399=6 .4-.499=6 .5-.599=4 .6-.699=8 .7-.799=8 .8-.899=6 .9-.999=3
mean r_{pbi}	.166	.183	.201
median r_{pbi}	.168	.171	.202
range of r_{pbi}	.002-.381	.000-.471	.082-.332
distribution of r_{pbi}	<.1=14 .1-.199=28 .2-.299=21 .3-.399=1 .4-.499=0	<.1=16 .1-.199=23 .2-.299=14 .3-.399=10 .4-.499=1	<.3=5 .3-.399=4 .4-.499=9 .5-.599=3 .6-.699=6 .7-.799=7 .8-.899=9 .9-.999=3
	5a		5b

Table V-5: Summary of Item Analysis for Discussion Group Inference Questionnaire; Initial Item Set (5a) and Reduced Item Set (5b)

* Statistics computed on items pooled from three administrations per S, i.e., $3 \times 100 = 300$ male responses, $3 \times 88 = 264$ female responses.

In the present experiment the decision to drop an item was based on the ratio of the number of S's in the upper half of the total-score range who passed the item to the number in the lower half who passed the item; the statistical significance of the ratio was determined according to the following formula:*

$$z = \frac{p - \hat{p}}{\sigma_p}$$

where z is the standard normal variable;

p is the proportion of S's passing the item who are in the upper half of the total-score range;

σ_p is the standard deviation of p ; and

\hat{p} is the expected proportion of upper-half passers under the null hypotheses (in the present case, .50).

Items returning a z -score of less than 1.29 (alpha greater than .10) were eliminated from all tests of observational and inference ability.

Tables V-1 through V-5 (column b) summarize the statistical properties of the reduced item sets; the values were computed on the full sample of S's, i.e., males and females combined. The number of items eliminated ranged from three out of nineteen (Table V-4, Discussion group observation) to twenty-three out of thirty-nine (Table V-3, Film inference - Bob). The data indicate modest improvement in item characteristics for all instruments. For example, r_{pbi} on the "Bob" film inference questionnaire increased from around .2 to slightly over .3 (Tables V-3a and V-3b); item p -values in the same instrument dropped slightly from a mean of approximately .7 to approximately .53.

* Scott, William A. and Wertheimer, Michael, Introduction to Psychological Research, (New York: John Wiley & Sons), 1970.

Distributions of p-values remained approximately the same for all instruments--items distributed evenly across the range of obtained values. The range of r_{pbi} values shifted upward for all instruments; further, the negative skew characterizing the distributions of these values in the initial item sets was eliminated; the distributions in the reduced item sets were either rectangular or slightly leptokurtic.

On the basis of the analysis just described, the most discriminating items in each test of observation and inference were identified. It was further found that in the separate instruments, although the majority of items discriminated equally well for males and females, some items discriminated either females or males, but not both; in only one test did such disjoint discriminators occur with equal frequency (cf. Table V-6). Since the presence in an instrument of a disproportionate number of discriminators for one sex would tend to bias the total scores of members of that sex downward, the test scores for each subject on each instrument were computed according to the following formula:

$$S_w = S_r + (C \times S_r)$$

where S_w = Weighted Score

S_r = Raw Score

C = Absolute Value of: $\frac{\# \text{"Male" Items} - \# \text{"Female" Items}}{\text{Total \# Items}}$

Table V-6 shows for each instrument, the weighting factor (C) and the sex of the subjects whose scores were weighted.

Questionnaires for each scale are found in Appendices D-H. Starred items indicate those retained for the final analysis.

Table V-6: Frequency of Items in each Dependent Measure Which Discriminate for Males, Females, or Both

Instrument	Frequency of Discriminator Type		
	Males	Females	Either
Film Observation	4 (C=.062)	3	9
Film Inference			
Bob	2	5 (C=.187)	9
Mary Jane	5	5 (C=.05)	9
Discussion Group			
Observation	3	3	10
Inference	12	13 (C=.0217)	21

VI. DATA ANALYSIS

A large number of continuous and categorical measures were taken on each subject during the course of the study. Those selected for statistical analysis comprise the largest substantively meaningful subset which could be expected to provide statistically reliable results within the limits imposed by the sample size ($N = 188$).*

Tables VI-1, VI-2, and VI-3 present the measures of inference and observation, the variables selected as potential predictors of each and the statistical method(s) used to analyze their relationships. The remainder of this section is organized by type of analysis.

REGRESSION ANALYSIS RESULTS

As summarized in the top portion of Table VI-1, a number of cognitive, demographic and personality variables were analyzed to determine their value as predictors of observational and inferential ability. Due to the limitations imposed by sample size (see above) the personality variables could not be included in the same regression analysis with the cognitive and demographic factors. Consequently, it was decided to analyze these two sets of factors separately, each in its own regression analysis, and then combine significant variables from each in a final analysis.**

* This N will fluctuate somewhat depending upon the variables being analyzed. This fluctuation is due to missing data for several variables. Also, programs used in our analyses varied in the ways they handled missing data. Both case deletion and pairwise deletion are used. Thus, the same variables may have different N's, depending on the program being used. In all cases the differences are small and make little or no difference in the outcomes.

** In adopting this procedure we lost the possible interactions of non-significant variables on each list. However, given the magnitude of the relationships found, both from main effects and from other interactions, it does not appear likely that much important information was lost.

CRITERION MEASURES

PREDICTOR VARIABLES

OBSERVATION SCORES:

- 1 Film
- 2 Discussion Group

INFERENCE SCORES

- 3 Film - Bob/Mary Jane
- Discussion Group:
- 4 Behavior
- 5 - 12 Self-Perception
(ACL Scales)

DERIVED SCORES:

- 13 Focused observations vs.
non-focused observations
- 14 Focused inferences vs.
non-focused inferences

- 46 Instructions to S
(focus, no focus)
- 47 Cognitive Complexity
(17 above)
- 48 Sex
(18 above)
- 49 Interaction of Sex and Vocation
- 50 Interaction of Vocation and Cognitive Complexity
- 51 Interaction of Sex and Cognitive Complexity

COGNITIVE:

- 15 Differentiation
- 16 Integration
- 17 Cognitive Complexity

DEMOGRAPHIC:

- 18 Sex
- 19 Marital Status (Married, Unmarried)
- 20 Grades
- 21 Income
- 22 Religion (Protestant, Catholic, Other)
- 23 Vocation (Insurance sales or Student)
- 24 Interaction of 17 and 18
- 25 Interaction of 17 and 23

PERSONALITY:

- 26 - 45 Subscores of the Sixteen
Personality Factors Inventory

Table VI-1: Variables Analyzed thru Stepwise Linear Regression Procedures--
Variables 1-12 by 15-45; Variables 13 and 14 by 46-51

<u>DEPENDENT VARIABLES</u>	<u>INDEPENDENT VARIABLES</u>	<u>COVARIATES</u>
Observation Scores:	WATS PAS Categories:	11 Cognitive Complexity
1 Film	5 Primitive Level	12 PAS Normal Score
2 Discussion Group	6 Basic Level	
	7-9 Dimension Regions	
Inference Scores:	Demographic	
3 Mean of Bob and Mary Jane Scores	10 Sex	
4 Discussion Group		

Table VI-2: Variables Analyzed thru Analysis of Covariance; Variables 1-4 by 5-9, each in combination with 10; 11 and 12 are covariates in all Analyses

DEPENDENT VARIABLES

Observation Scores:

- 1 Film
- 2 Discussion Group

Inference Scores:

- 3 Film - Bob
- 4 Film - Mary Jane
- 5 Discussion Group

Cognitive:

- 6 Cognitive Complexity

INDEPENDENT VARIABLES

Demographic:

- 7 Insurance Salespersons
- Males (not insurance)
- Females (not insurance)

Personality:

- 8 PAS Primitive Levels
- 9 PAS Basic Levels
- 10 PAS Dimension Poles
- 11 Internalizer/Externalizer
- 12 Role Adaptive/Pole Uniform
- 13 Regulated/Flexible

Table VI-3: Variables Analyzed thru Analysis of Variance: Variables 1-5 each by 7; Variable 6 by each of 8-13

Cognitive and Demographic Variables: Tables VI-4 through VI-15

present the results of the stepwise regression analyses for each of the observation and inference scores regressed over all of the cognitive and demographic variables (cf. Table VI-1). For both film and discussion group observation (Tables VI-4 and VI-5 respectively), the only variable that contributes significantly is sex; in both cases, the negative sign of the Beta weight indicates that females obtain higher scores than males.

In the case of the Film score, sex accounts for only a small proportion of the variance ($R^2 = .022$). For the Discussion Group Observation Score, however, the R^2 is of moderate size, .166, and represents the largest single variable contribution found in the regression analyses. The fact that women are better observers than men is consistent with other research on this subject. Turner, for example, found sex to be one of the few, as well as the best, predictors of observation scores on several experimental tasks.* It is also important to note that several interactions were also included in the list of variables and that the effect of sex was not noticeably reduced.

Inferences about past behavior are measured by the mean of the "Bob" and "Mary Jane" tests administered after the film, and by the similar questions answered by Subjects about their cohorts at the end of the group discussion.

The results of the regression analyses on inference scores are presented in Tables VI-6 and VI-7. As with observation, the principal contributor to inference score in both settings is sex--the negative weight meaning that females score better than males. However, additional predictor

* Turner, Jimmie, "Powers of Observation: The Measurement and Correlates of Observational Ability," Unpublished PhD Dissertation, Department of Psychology, University of Missouri, 1973.

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Film Observation Score

Multiple R	0.14891	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.02217	Regression	1.	26.67579	26.67579	3.96832 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.01659	Residual	175.	1176.38429	6.72220	
Standard Error	2.59272					

<u>Variable</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>Beta</u>	<u>Standard Error B</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>P</u>
Differentiation (Constant)	- 0.03800 10.01147	- 0.14891	0.01908	3.968	<.05

TABLE VI-4: Regression Analysis on Film Observation Score

Discussion Group Observation Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE:

	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
Multiple R	0.43894					95.48609	31.82870	13.76231 (p<.01)
R Square	0.19267					400.10461	2.31274	
Adjusted R Square	0.17867							
Standard Error	1.52077							

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	F Square Change
Sex	- 0.73036	- 0.43591	0.11926	37.503	<.01	0.40844	0.16682	0.16682
Catholic	0.30663	0.11803	0.17782	2.974	NS	0.42387	0.17966	0.01284
Cognitive Complexity X Insurance	0.00525	0.11887	0.00314	2.788	NS	0.43894	0.19267	0.01301
(Constant)	9.10042							

TABLE VI-5: Regression Analysis on Discussion Group Observation Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Film Inference Scores on Bob and Mary Jane

Multiple R	0.29061	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.08445	Regression	3.	92.89686	30.96562	5.31946 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.06858	Residual	173.	1007.06608	5.82119	
Standard Error	2.41271					

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	R Square Change
Sex	- 0.65827	- 0.26372	0.18638	12.474	<.01	0.22074	0.04872	0.04872
Cognitive Complexity	- 0.01494	- 0.14958	0.00735	4.134	<.05	0.26534	0.07040	0.02168
Grades	0.36753	0.12034	0.22555	2.655	NS	0.29061	0.08445	0.01405
(Constant)	9.80439							

TABLE VI-6: Regression Analysis on Film Inference Scores

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Discussion Group Inference Score

Multiple R		Analysis of Variance		DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.3726	Regression	201.59605	6.	33.59934	4.67281	(p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.14157	Residual	1222.36766	170.	7.19040		
Standard Error	0.11128						
	2.68149						

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	F Square Change
Sex	- 0.80718	- 0.28421	0.21378	14.256	<.01	0.24874	0.06187	0.06187
Insurance	1.05204	0.25397	0.48934	4.622	<.05	0.30696	0.09422	0.03235
Integration	- 0.81591	- 0.19421	0.37750	4.672	<.05	0.32472	0.10545	0.01122
Catholic	0.76290	0.17325	0.36213	4.438	<.05	0.34332	0.11787	0.01242
Protestant	- 0.44711	- 0.13193	0.28874	2.398	NS	0.36183	0.13092	0.01305
Cognitive Complexity	- 0.01459	- 0.19507	0.01004	2.110	NS	0.37626	0.14157	0.01066
Insurance	29.63865							
(Constant)								

TABLE VI-7: Regression Analysis on Discussion Group Inference Scores

variables are entered into the regression equations for inference. Table VI-7 indicates that for discussion group inference, small but statistically significant contributions to prediction are made by vocation, religion, and integration score; the Beta weights here mean that insurance salespersons do better than those Ss not so engaged, Catholics do better than members of other faiths, and that integration score is inversely related to inference score--a finding somewhat at odds with theoretical expectations.

Table VI-6 indicates that in addition to sex, cognitive complexity score is a significant predictor of inferences about people viewed in filmed settings. The negative Beta weight indicates that cognitive complexity is inversely related to inference; this result is also at variance with initially expected outcomes.

The eight scales obtained from the Adjective Checklist were included in the regression analysis in an effort to determine whether the ability to make inferences about personality variables is influenced by cognitive and demographic factors. The accuracy of a Subject's inferences about the self-perceptions of others is indicated by the difference between his characterization of the other and the other's characterization of himself. In other words, lower ACL scores mean better inference; thus, regression analysis outcomes for the ACL are in the opposite direction to those made for the measures of inference about behavior. The results of these regression analyses are presented in Tables VI-8 through VI-15. While the data show that for most of the ACL scores, one or more statistically significant predictors are returned, no clear-cut pattern emerges. For example, sex is the only significant predictor for "Self-Control" (Table VI-9) and for "Aggressiveness" (Table VI-14). The positive Beta weight for

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Inference Scores on ACL Self Confidence Scale

Multiple R	0.11827	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	F
R Square	0.01399	Regression	1.	20.50913	2.48261 (P=NS)
Adjusted R Square	0.00835	Residual	175.	1445.69551	
Standard Error	2.87422				

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
Sex	0.00670	0.11827	0.00425	2.483	NS
(Constant)	5.93816				

TABLE VI-8: Regression Analysis on ACL Self-Confidence Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Inference Scores on ACL Self Control Scale

	Multiple R	0.26006	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
P Square	0.06763		Regression	3.	42.77456	14.25819	4.18299 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.05146		Residual	173.	589.68997	3.40861	
Standard Error	1.84624						

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	P Square Change
Sex	- 0.76807	- 0.40579	0.28652	7.186	<.01	0.17489	0.03059	0.03059
Cognitive Complexity X Sex	0.01067	0.28708	0.00562	5.603	NS	0.22147	0.04905	0.01846
Marital Status (Constant)	- 0.35195	- 0.13783	0.18954	3.448	NS	0.26006	0.06763	0.01858
	3.86689							

TABLE VI-9: Regression Analysis on ACL Self-Control Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Inference Scores on ACL Personal Adjustment Scale

	Multiple R	0.16477	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.02715		Regression	1.	29.40048	29.40048	4.88351 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.02159		Residual	175.	1053.56373	6.02036	
Standard Error	2.45364						

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
Marital Status	- 0.55056	- 0.16477	0.24914	4.884	<.05
(Constant)	4.56205				

TABLE VI-10: Regression Analysis on ACL Personal Adjustment Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Inference Scores on ACL Need-for-Achievement Scale

	Multiple R	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.13000	Regression	1.	33.68991	33.68991	3.00814 (P=NS)
Adjusted R Square	0.01690	Residual	175.	1959.92937	11.19960	
Standard Error	0.01128					
	3.34658					

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
Income	- 0.13461	- 0.13000	0.07761	3.008	NS
(Constant)	7.60971				

TABLE VI-11: Regression Analysis on ACL Need-for-Achievement Scale

sex means that females' difference scores are lower; hence they are again better inferrers than males.

Insurance salespersons are the only reliable inferrers of "Endurance" (Table VI-12), and they are better at predicting "Need for Affiliation" than other Subjects (Table VI-13). Here, we see for the second time the appearance of an expected difference between the special sample of individuals supposedly schooled in good observation and inference (because their livelihood depends to some extent on developing these skills) and the remainder of our student sample. This variable first appeared as a secondary predictor on Discussion Group Inference Score. The explanation for this difference could be the fact that these subjects have broader experience in dealing with people about whom they must make certain inferences, thus they have developed a higher skill level. On the other hand, they are also older than most of the student subjects, and the differences noted could be a function of age.

Cognitive complexity is selected by the analysis as negatively related to accuracy of inference about affiliation, another reversal of original expectations (Table VI-13). On the same table the interaction between insurance sales and cognitive complexity refers to the fact that while insurance salespersons infer affiliation need better than do others, the difference is not as pronounced when low cognitive complexity individuals from both groups are compared.

Married individuals make more accurate inferences about "Personal Adjustment" than unmarried people (Table VI-10), while grades are identified as a negative predictor of "Need for Change" (Table VI-15). It is difficult to draw any firm conclusions from the results of our analyses of predictors of ACL self-evaluation. It may be surmised that making inferences

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Inference Scores on ACL Endurance Scale

	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
Multiple R	0.24967	2.	75.40724	37.70362	5.78353 (p<.01)
F Square	0.06233	174.	1134.33014	6.51914	
Adjusted R Square	0.05156				
Standard Error	2.55326				

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	P Square Change
Insurance	- 0.72688	- 0.19038	0.29172	6.209	<.05	0.22286	0.04967	0.04967
Sex	- 0.30665	- 0.11715	0.20000	2.351	NS	0.24967	0.06233	0.01267
(Constant)	5.02632							

TABLE VI-12: Regression Analysis on ACL Endurance Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Inference Scores on ACL Need-for-Affiliation Scale

	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
Multiple R	0.26368				
R Square	0.06953	3.	91.71842	30.57281	4.30909 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.05339	173.	1227.42662	7.09495	
Standard Error	2.66364				

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	R Square Change
Insurance Cognitive Complexity X Insurance Cognitive Complexity (Constant)	- 2.44733	- 0.61382	0.68685	12.696	<.01	0.13920	0.01938	0.01938
	0.04874	0.67693	0.01597	9.315	<.01	0.17542	0.03077	0.01139
	0.04287	0.39193	0.01597	7.206	<.01	0.26368	0.06953	0.03876
	3.53938							

TABLE VI-13: Regression Analysis on ACL Need-for-Affiliation Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Inference Scores on ACL Aggression Scale

	Multiple R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Standard Error	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
	0.34193	0.11691	0.09638	2.18726	Regression	4	108.94100	27.23525	5.69287 (p<.01)
					Residual	172	822.86437	4.78410	

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	P Square Change
Insurance	- 0.35166	- 0.10494	0.31271	1.265	NS	0.25637	0.06572	0.06572
Sex	- 0.3967	- 0.17271	0.17217	5.311	<.05	0.31011	0.09617	0.03045
Protestant	0.31064	0.11331	0.20511	2.294	NS	0.32613	0.10636	0.01019
Marital Status (Constant)	- 0.39305 4.19907	- 0.12681	0.27412	2.056	NS	0.34193	0.11691	0.01056

TABLE VI-14: Regression Analysis on ACL Aggression Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Inference Scores on ACL Need-for-Change Scale

	Multiple R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Standard Error	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
	0.16257	0.02643	0.02086	1.32405	Regression	1.	8.32794	8.32794	4.75041 (p<.05)
					Residual	175	306.79195	1.75310	

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
Grades	0.26574	0.16257	0.12192	4.750	<.05
(Constant)	2.16989				

TABLE VI-15: Regression Analysis on ACL Need-for-Change Scale

about others' self-evaluations is difficult at best. The fact that any group is able to do significantly better than another is perhaps surprising. However, the omnipresent power of women to do better at these tasks than men does not substantially weaken in this area. The strong performance of insurance salespersons as better inferrers also argues for a selection procedure based on experience, if not age, when attempting to choose good inferrers.

Personality Variables: The instrument employed to investigate the relation between personality characteristics and ability to observe and infer is the Sixteen Personality Factor Questionnaire (16PF) (Cattell et al., 1970). This instrument returns scores on a total of twenty personality factors. As discussed earlier, the relatively small sample size dictates that, in order to maximize statistical reliability, the number of terms in the regression equation must not exceed twelve or so. Thus, in anticipation of subsequent regression analyses in which personality, cognitive, and demographic variables would be entered together as predictors, a decision was made to interpret as significant only those 16PF scores which in addition to being significant at or beyond the .05 level also accounted for more than two percent of the variance in the dependent variables.

Those 16PF factors which are significant under these criteria are reported in Table VI-16 through VI-24. For the dependent variables measuring inference and observation of behavior, there is no specific pattern of predictive personality factors. Observation of filmed events is positively associated with degree of venturesomeness (Table VI-16), while observation in an interpersonal setting is negatively associated with emotional stability (Table VI-17), that is, in terms of the 16PF, the

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Film Observation

	Multiple R	0.14639	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.02143		Regression	1.	27.21546	27.21546	3.98545 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.01605		Residual	182.	1242.82451	6.82871	
Standard Error	2.61319						

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
16PF, Factor H, Shy - Venturesome (Constant)	0.19077 7.89317	0.14639	0.09556	3.985	

TABLE VI-16: Regression Analysis of 16PF on Film Observation

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Observation

	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
Multiple R	0.20851							
R Square	0.04347					23.08723	7.69574	2.72702 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.02753					507.96590	2.82203	
Standard Error	1.67989							

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
16PF, Factor C, Affected - Emotionally Stable	- 0.12234	- 0.14213	0.06313	3.756	<.05
16PF, Factor A, Reserved - Outgoing	0.11235	0.12910	0.06384	3.097	NS
16PF, Factor QIV, Subduedness - Independence (Constant)	0.10442 8.28731	0.10174	0.07500	1.938	NS

TABLE VI-17: Regression Analysis of 16PF on Observation Score

more emotionally stable an individual, the less he will observe when interacting with others. Accuracy of inferences made from the film are positively associated with assertiveness and negatively related to self-sufficiency (Table VI-18). Inference in an interpersonal setting is negatively related to apprehensiveness (Table VI-19); that is, the greater an individual's apprehensiveness, the less accurate his inferences about the other members of his discussion group. Of all the results for the 16PF thus far discussed, this seems intuitively to make the most sense. But, again, the R^2 values are quite small, and such results provide only suggestions of what might be underlying explanations for what is happening.

With regard to the ability to make inferences about how others see themselves, the personality factor "Suspiciousness" was a significant predictor of several ACL scale scores. The regression analyses indicate that as degree of suspiciousness increases, inference accuracy also increases for the following ACL scales: self-confidence (Table VI-20), self-control (Table VI-21), personal adjustment (Table VI-22), and need for achievement (Table VI-23). Perhaps suspicious people are more probing in their interactions with others and thus are better able to evaluate others' self-opinion.

Other 16PF factors emerging are: imaginativeness, which is positively related to inferences about both need for achievement (Table VI-23) and endurance (Table VI-24); emotional stability, which is positively related to inferences about endurance (Table VI-24); and tender-mindedness, which is a negative predictor of inferences concerning self-control (Table VI-21).

Combined Variables: All significant cognitive, demographic, and personality variables identified in the foregoing analyses were entered into a third regression analysis in order to determine their relative

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Bob/Mary Jane Inference

Multiple R	0.30336	Analysis of Variance	df	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.09509	Regression	9.	106.57996	11.84222	2.03149 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.04828	Residual	174.	1014.30156	5.82932	
Standard Error	2.41440					

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
16PF, Factor:					
Q2, Group-Dependent - Self-Sufficient	- 0.29067	- 0.22042	0.15185	3.664	<.05
E, Humble - Assertive	0.49994	0.38656	0.17509	8.153	<.01
Q3, Undisciplined Self-Conflict - Controlled	0.13574	0.10969	0.10243	1.756	NS
QIV, Subduedness - Independence	- 0.33566	- 0.22511	0.24013	1.954	NS
Q4, Relaxed - Tense	- 0.10395	- 0.08564	0.10006	1.079	NS
B, Less Intell. - More Intell.	0.10172	0.08098	0.09543	1.136	NS
QI, Introversion - Extroversion	- 0.15088	- 0.09590	0.17715	0.725	NS
I, Tough - Tender Minded	0.05987	0.04639	0.10290	0.339	NS
M, Practical - Imaginative	0.06312	0.05066	0.13630	0.214	NS
(Constant)	10.15800				

TABLE VI-18: Regression Analysis of 16PF on Bob/Mary Jane Inference Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Inference

	Multiple R	0.28026	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.07854		Regression	7.	124.77951	17.82564	2.14312 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.04189		Residual	176.	1463.89769	8.31760	
Standard Error	2.88403						

Variable

	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
16PF, Factor:	- 0.31207	- 0.19746	0.11763	7.039	<.01
O, Placid - Apprehensive	0.16368	0.10652	0.11752	1.940	NS
I, Tough-Tender Minded	0.15271	0.10235	0.11351	1.810	NS
Qi, Conservative - Experimenting	0.11779	0.07877	0.10876	1.173	NS
B, Less Intelligent - More Intelligent	0.11504	0.07754	0.11032	1.087	NS
L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.08818	- 0.05325	0.12122	0.529	NS
F, Sober - Happy-go-lucky	0.08083	0.05284	0.11261	0.515	NS
G, Expedient - Conscientious	26.34335				
(Constant)					

TABLE VI-19: Regression Analysis of 16PF on Group Discussion Inference Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: ACL Self-Confidence

	Multiple R	0.24839	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.06170		Regression	5.	98.64366	19.72873	2.34087 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.03534		Residual	178.	1500.17217	8.42793	
Standard Error	2.90309						

Variable

	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
16PF, Factor:					
L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.30894	- 0.20757	0.10927	7.993	<.01
H, Shy - Venturesome	- 0.14487	- 0.09908	0.11097	1.704	NS
M, Practical - Imaginative	0.17334	0.11648	0.11347	2.333	NS
I, Tough - Tender Minded	- 0.14154	- 0.09182	0.11711	1.461	NS
Q2, Group-dependent - Self-sufficient (Constant)	- 0.09900	- 0.06286	0.12094	0.670	NS
	8.92345				

TABLE VI-20: Regression Analysis of 16PF on ACL Self-Confidence Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: ACL Self-Control

	Multiple R	0.31033	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.09630		Regression	7.	62.34440	8.90634	2.67939 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.06036		Residual	176.	585.02697	3.32402	
Standard Error	1.82319						

Variable

	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
16PF, Factor:					
L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.21082	- 0.22260	0.07000	9.070	<.01
I, Tough - Tender Minded	- 0.15092	- 0.15386	0.07366	4.198	<.05
G, Expedient - Conscientious	- 0.12693	- 0.12998	0.07261	3.055	NS
O, Placid - Apprehensive	0.10022	0.09933	0.07699	1.694	NS
M, Practical - Imaginative	0.09667	0.10209	0.07116	1.845	NS
N, Forthright - Shrewd	0.09795	0.09613	0.07910	1.533	NS
F, Sober - Happy-go-lucky	0.09068	0.08579	0.07789	1.355	NS
(Constant)	4.56864				

TABLE VI-21: Regression Analysis of 16PF on ACL Self-Control Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: ACL Personal Adjustment

	Multiple R	0.14385	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.02069		Regression	1.	23.31917	23.31917	3.84555 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.01531		Residual	182.	1103.63673	6.06394	
Standard Error	2.46251						

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
16PF, Factor L, Trusting - Susnicious (Constant)	- 0.17975	- 0.14385	0.09166	3.846	<.05
	5.92976				

TABLE VI-22: Regression Analysis of 16PF on ACL Personal Adjustment Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: ACL Need-for-Achievement

	Multiple R	0.26690	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.07124		Regression	6.	155.78176	25.96363	2.26264 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.03975		Residual	177.	2031.06274	11.47493	
Standard Error	3.38747						

Variable

	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P
16PF, Factor:					
L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.32867	- 0.18882	0.13167	6.231	<.05
M, Practical - Imaginative	0.32973	0.18946	0.13228	6.213	<.05
O2, Group-dependent - Self-sufficient	- 0.23319	- 0.12660	0.13888	2.819	NS
O3, Undisciplined Self-Conflict - Controlled	- 0.12909	- 0.07468	0.13268	0.946	NS
N, Forthright - Shrewd	0.12419	0.06632	0.13710	0.821	NS
I, Tough - Tender Minded	- 0.11669	- 0.06473	0.13723	0.723	NS
(Constant)	8.73053				

TABLE VI-23: Regression Analysis of 16PF on Need-for-Achievement Score

TABLE VI-24: Regression Analysis of 16PF on ACL Endurance Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: ACL Endurance

Multiple R	0.42805	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.18322	Regression	20.	239.31243	11.96562	1.82825 (p<.05)
Adjusted R Square	0.08301	Residual	163.	1066.81234	6.54486	
Standard Error	2.55829					

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	P Square Change
16PF, Factor:								
M, Practical - Imaginative	1.03836	0.77201	0.25198	16.981	<.01	0.15069	0.02271	0.02271
L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.20725	- 0.15406	0.15799	1.721	NS	0.20419	0.04169	0.01899
I, Tough - Tender Minded	- 0.26792	- 0.19230	0.14041	3.641	NS	0.24392	0.05949	0.01780
F, Sober - Happy-go-lucky	0.47410	0.31578	0.22043	4.626	<.05	0.26820	0.07193	0.01243
Q3, Undisciplined - Self-Conflicted - Controlled	0.20710	0.15503	0.15771	1.724	NS	0.28542	0.08147	0.00954
QIV, Subduedness - Independence	- 1.60539	- 0.99742	0.59578	7.261	<.01	0.30403	0.09243	0.01097
B, Less Intell. - More Intell.	0.13154	0.09701	0.11196	1.380	NS	0.30871	0.09530	0.00287
G, Expedient - Conscientious	- 0.48204	- 0.34754	0.19076	6.385	<.05	0.31280	0.09785	0.00254
Q4, Relaxed - Tense	- 1.27132	- 0.97027	0.41476	9.395	<.01	0.31773	0.10095	0.00310
Q1, Conservative - Experimenting	0.36018	0.26624	0.16750	4.624	<.05	0.32335	0.10455	0.00360

TABLE VI-24 (continued)

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: ACL Endurance

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	Mean Square	Analysis of Variance	
								Regression	Residual
Multiple R									
R Square									
Adjusted R Square									
Standard Error									
16PF, Factor (Continued):									
E, Humble - Assertive	0.81831	0.58614	0.32371	6.390	<.05	0.33572	0.11271	0.00815	0.00815
H, Shy - Venturesome	0.59310	0.44877	0.19163	9.579	<.01	0.34070	0.11607	0.00337	0.00337
Q1, Introversion - Extroversion	0.73781	- 0.43442	0.55225	1.785	NS	0.35434	0.12556	0.00948	0.00948
O, Placid - Apprehensive	- 1.10413	- 0.77047	0.35179	9.851	<.01	0.36284	0.13166	0.00610	0.00610
Q1, High Anxiety - C, Affected - Emotionally Stable	2.81520	1.82403	0.91006	9.569	<.01	0.37301	0.13914	0.00748	0.00748
N, Forthright - Shrewd	0.69460	0.51456	0.24530	8.018	<.01	0.41775	0.17452	0.03538	0.03538
Q2, Group-dependent - Self-suffic.	- 0.10733	- 0.07416	0.13413	0.640	NS	0.42084	0.17711	0.00259	0.00259
QIII, Tender-minded, emotionality - Tough Poise	- 0.02592	- 0.01821	0.22400	0.013	NS	0.42320	0.17910	0.00199	0.00199
A, Reserved - Outgoing	- 0.19416	- 0.15221	0.21460	0.819	NS	0.42497	0.18060	0.00150	0.00150
(Constant)	- 0.15720	- 0.11518	0.21719	0.524	NS	0.42805	0.18322	0.00263	0.00263
	0.13474								

importance as predictors of observation and inference. The variables sex and cognitive complexity were included as predictors in all analyses because sex was the most consistently appearing significant variable and because both sex and cognitive complexity were expected to yield interesting interaction results. Therefore, additional predictor variables were derived in the form of interactions among demographic variables and the 16PF factors and between cognitive complexity and each of the significant 16PF variables. The results of these analyses are presented in Tables VI-25 through VI-33.

Table VI-25 shows a significant direct effect for Differentiation (one of the elements of cognitive complexity) and an interaction effect of cognitive complexity by the 16PF factor Shy-Venturesome. Interestingly, a complexity component again has a negative Beta weight, indicating that as differentiation scores increase, the ability to correctly observe events in a film decreases. The interaction displays a tendency, among high-complexity subjects, for venturesome people to be better observers than shy people. This is somewhat in contradiction to Turner, who finds that introverted people are better observers than extroverted people (Table VI-26).

		COGNITIVE COMPLEXITY	
		High	Low
16PF, Factor II, Shy - Venturesome	High	9.707	9.042
	Low	8.848	8.978

Table VI-26: Cell Means for Cognitive Complexity -
16PF Factor II Interaction

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Film Observation Score

	Multiple R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Standard Error	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
	0.20523	0.04212	0.03165	2.59268	Regression	2.	54.08945	27.04473	4.02332 (p<.05)
					Residual	183.	1230.12348	6.72199	

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	p	Multiple R	R Square	P Square Change
Differentiation	- 0.06758	- 0.26082	0.02407	7.884	<.01	0.13989	0.01957	0.01957
Cognitive Complexity X 16PF, Factor 1, Shy - Venturesome (Constant)	0.00269 10.14244	0.19280	0.00130	4.308	<.05	0.20523	0.04212	0.02255

TABLE VI-25: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on Film Observation Score

Tables VI-27 through VI-29 again show the dominance of sex as a predictor variable in the skills of greatest interest in this study. Either independently or in interaction, females significantly outperform males in Group Discussion Observation and in both inference tasks. In addition, the R^2 for sex on observation is almost .18, which, by standards exhibited in these data, is very high.

Cognitive complexity appears once by itself in Table VI-28. Again complexity is a negative factor in predicting inference scores. Another interesting result is that group-dependent subjects are better at inference about Bob and Mary Jane than self-sufficient subjects (Table VI-28). Perhaps dependence leads to greater insight about other people than self-sufficiency.

A rather interesting phenomenon occurs in the prediction of ACL self-evaluation scores. Although sex still appears, among the five ACL scales which had significant Beta's, two 16PF scales, Trusting-Suspicious and Practical-Imaginative, are the best predictors. (See Tables VI-30 through VI-34.)

Suspicious subjects are significantly better predictors of self-evaluations on ACL self-confidence, self-control, and personal adjustment scales (Tables VI-30, 31, and 32). Among high complexity subjects they are also better in inferring self-evaluations on the Need for Achievement scale, but among low complexity subjects there is no difference between trusting and suspicious subjects (Tables VI-34 and VI-35).

In general, practical subjects seem to be more accurate predictors of other people's self-evaluation on ACL Endurance and Need for Achievement than are imaginative subjects. This situation is somewhat distorted by the

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Discussion Group Observation Score

	Multiple R	0.43640	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.19044		Regression	2.	101.56789	50.78395	21.52490 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.18160		Residual	183.	431.75408	2.35931	
Standard Error	1.53601						

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	R Square Change
Sex	- 0.72669	- 0.42853	0.11298	41.369	<.01	0.42199	0.17808	0.17808
Cognitive Complexity X 16PF								
Factor C, Affected - Emotionally Stable	- 0.00110	- 0.11140	0.00066	2.796	NS	0.43640	0.19044	0.01237
(Constant)	9.20574							

TABLE VI-27: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on Group Discussion Observation Score

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Mean of Film Inference Scores on Bob and Mary Jane

Multiple R	0.34153	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.11664	Regression	3.	131.65017	43.88339	8.01055 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.10208	Residual	182.	907.03208	5.47820	
Standard Error	2.34056					

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	R Square Change
Sex	- 0.66226	- 0.26845	0.17547	14.245	<.01	0.21495	0.04620	0.04620
16PF Scale Q2, Group-dependent Self Sufficient	- 0.30017	- 0.22709	0.09346	10.315	<.01	0.31725	0.10065	0.05444
Cognitive Complexity	- 0.01273	- 0.12808	0.00701	3.295	NS	0.34153	0.11664	0.01599
(Constant)	12.37649							

TABLE VI-28: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on Film Inference Bob and Mary Jane

DEPENDENT VARIABLE: Discussion Group Inference Score

	Multiple R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Standard Error	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
	0.53121	0.10970	0.09997	2.79914	Regression	2.	176.67419	88.33710	11.27443 (p<.01)
					Residual	183.	1433.83684	7.83517	

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	p	Multiple R	R Square	P Square Change
Sex X 16PF Scale 0, Placid - Apprehensive	- 0.15260	- 0.30086	0.03582	18.147	<.01	0.27047	0.07315	0.07315
Insurance X 16PF Scale 0, Placid-Apprehensive (Constant)	0.14211 28.40390	0.19357	0.05185	7.512	<.01	0.33121	0.10970	0.03655

TABLE VI-29: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on Group Discussion Inference Score

Inference Scores on ACL Self Confidence Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE:

Multiple R	0.20220	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
P Square	0.04088	Regression	1.	62.42538	62.42538	7.84339 (p < .01)
Adjusted R Square	0.03567	Residual	184.	1464.45216	7.95898	
Standard Error	2.82117					

<u>Variable</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>Beta</u>	<u>Standard Error B</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>P</u>
16PF, Scale L, Trusting- Suspicious (Constant)	- 0.29017 7.57947	- 0.20220	0.10361	7.843	< .01

TABLE VI-30: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on ACL Self-Confidence Scale

Inference Scores on ACL Self-Control Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE:

Multiple R	0.28344	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.08034	Regression	3.	52.60177	17.53392	5.29954 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.06518	Residual	182.	602.16107	3.30858	
Standard Error	1.81895					

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	P Square Change
Sex	- 0.36797	- 0.19584	0.13468	7.464	<.01	0.16957	0.02875	0.02875
16PF, Scale L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.18466	- 0.19649	0.06780	7.418	<.01	0.24622	0.06062	0.03187
16PF, Scale M, Tough-minded Tender-minded (Constant)	- 0.14106 5.91342	- 0.14137	0.07141	3.902	<.05	0.28344	0.08034	0.01971

TABLE VI-31: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on ACL Self-Control Scale

Inference Scores on ACL Personal Adjustment Scale

INDEPENDENT VARIABLE:

	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
Multiple R	0.26288				
R Square	0.06910	3.	77.32457	25.77486	4.50356 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.05376	182.	1041.62643	5.72322	
Standard Error	2.39233				

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	F Square Change
Marital Status 16PF, Scale L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.51113	- 0.15533	0.23860	4.589	<.05	0.17580	0.03090	0.03090
Sex X 16PF, Scale L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.20976	- 0.17075	0.08823	5.653	<.05	0.23815	0.05672	0.02581
(Constant)	- 0.04473	- 0.11326	0.02874	2.422	NS	0.2t288	0.06910	0.01239
	5.76329							

TABLE VI-32: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on ACL Personal Adjustment Scale

Inference Scores on ACL Need-for-Achievement Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE:

Multiple R	0.27278	Analysis of Variance	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
R Square	0.07441	Regression	3.	157.19821	52.39940	4.87720 (p<.01)
Adjusted R Square	0.05915	Residual	182.	1955.36062	10.74374	
Standard Error	3.27776					

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error B	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	F Square Chance
Cognitive Complexity X 16PF, Scale L, Trusting - Suspicious	- 0.00690	- 0.37014	0.00190	13.150	<.01	0.16695	0.02787	0.02787
Cognitive Complexity X 16PF, Scale M, Practical - Imaginative	0.00473	0.26289	0.00183	6.643	<.05	0.25271	0.06386	0.03599
Sex X 16PF, Scale M, Practical - Imaginative (Constant)	- 0.05528 7.27527	- 0.10403	0.03838	2.074	NS	0.27278	0.07441	0.01055

TABLE VI-33: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on ACL Need-for-Achievement Scale

Inference Scores on ACL Endurance Scale

DEPENDENT VARIABLE:	B	Beta	Standard Error β	F	P	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F
Multiple R	0.27449					96.22160	48.11080	7.45582 (p<.01)
F Square	0.07534					1180.85882	6.45278	
Adjusted R Square	0.06524							
Standard Error	2.54023							

Variable	B	Beta	Standard Error β	F	P	Multiple R	R Square	P Square Chance
Insurance X 16PF, Scale M, Practical - Imaginative	- 0.12028	- 0.22272	0.04056	8.793	<.01	0.25627	0.06568	0.06568
Sex X 16PF, Scale M, Practical - Imaginative (Constant)	- 0.04293	- 0.10390	0.93103	1.914	NS	0.27449	0.07534	0.00967

TABLE VI-34: Regression Analysis of Combined Variables on ACL Endurance Scale

		COGNITIVE COMPLEXITY	
		High	Low
16PF, Factor L, Trusting - Suspicious	Suspicious	5.887	6.959
	Trusting	7.872	6.788

Table VI-35: Cell Means for Cognitive Complexity -
16PF Factor Trusting-Suspicious

addition of Complexity level and Insurance vocation. Low complexity imaginative subjects are particularly poor inferrers about Need for Achievement, and practical insurance salespersons are particularly good at inferring self-evaluation on the Endurance scale (Tables VI-36 and VI-37).

		COGNITIVE COMPLEXITY	
		High	Low
16PF, Factor M, Practical - Imaginative	Imaginative	6.667	7.138
	Practical	6.393	6.436

Table VI-36: Cell Means on Need for Achievement
for the Interaction of Cognitive
Complexity and 16PF Practical-
Imaginative Scale

		Insurance	Not Insurance
16PF, Factor M, Practical - Imaginative	Imaginative	4.352	5.977
	Practical	3.533	5.333

Table VI-37: Cell Means on Endurance for the Interaction of Insurance Vocation and 16PF Practical-Imaginative Scale

The other significant predictors are more isolated cases and will not be described in detail here.

Effects of Focusing Instructions

In each discussion group one person, "A", was instructed to focus his attention on one other--"B". The other three persons in each group (including person B) were not so instructed and are presumed to have distributed their attention generally. Two approaches were taken in analyzing data on this question: (1) were "A's" inference and observation scores on "B" significantly better than "A's" scores on persons "C" and "D"; and (2) were "A's" scores on "B" significantly better than "C's" and "D's" scores on "B". In testing both of these questions we examined the validity of our focusing instructions and the effect of focusing in the small group situation used as our model of the "real world". A second set of questions concerned the effects of other variables when focusing differences do exist.

Answers to the first set of questions were provided by means of simple "t" tests. Table VI-38 shows that focusing instructions influenced A's to observe B's more accurately than they observed C's and D's, but that C's and D's observations of B were not significantly less accurate than A's.

	A's Observation of B	A's Observation of C & D
mean	9.34	8.574
σ	2.416	2.013
N	47	47
$t_{46} = 2.015, p < .05$		
	A's Inference on B	A's Inference on C & D
mean	27.291	27.842
σ	4.216	3.295
N	46	46
$t_{45} = 0.596, NS$		
	A's Observation of B	Mean of C & D's Obs. of B
mean	9.340	8.702
σ	2.416	1.893
N	47	47
$t_{92} = 1.425, NS$		
	A's Inference on B	Mean of C & D's Inf. on B
mean	27.291	27.889
σ	4.216	4.019
N	46	46
$t_{92} = 0.327, NS$		

Table VI-38: The Effects of Focusing Instructions on Discussion Group Observation and Inference

In other words, our instructions seemed to cause A's to pay more attention to B's, to the exclusion of C's and D's, but that this did not help A's to become better overall observers than C's and D's, even when observing B's. Focusing instructions had no influence on the accuracy of inferences; A observed C and D about as well as he did B, while C and D did as well as A in making inferences about B. The low correlations between inference and observation results, to be discussed next, provide some evidence that focusing would not figure significantly in inference tasks as they were designed in this study. If inference is largely unrelated to observation, then being a better observer of one person would not seem to provide much help in making better inferences.

Consequently, the second set of questions is relevant only to the difference between A's observations of B and his observations of C and D. To provide an answer, a stepwise multiple regression analysis was run with the above difference score as the dependent variable, and sex, cognitive complexity, and the interaction of sex and cognitive complexity as predictor variables.* The results of the analysis indicated that none of the independent variables were significant; that is, none accounted for a sufficient amount of the variance in the difference scores to be included in a regression equation. We may conclude that the differences were likely due to the focusing instructions alone.

Film Inference and Observation Scores as Predictors of Interpersonal Inference and Observation Scores

The question of using the film observation and inference results as predictors of interpersonal scores has important practical aspects. If

* The small N (16) permitted the entry of only three independent variables; those named were selected as being the most likely predictors.

the actualization group film could be used as a substitute for more complicated paper-and-pencil test or for "real world" testing, a significant savings could be made. In order to provide a basic first test of that possibility, the four observation and inference scores were correlated together in a single matrix. The results of that analysis appear in Table VI-39. It is clear that in terms of explained common variance, none of these tests is particularly predictive of any other, despite statistically significant r's in three cases. In fact, the cases with potentially greatest interest (those boxed) had the smallest absolute r's. Because of these results, no further effort was made to determine the relationship among these variables. Apparently observing and inferring from films and from interpersonal situations are quite different functions; or at least they are as they were presented in this study.

	OGIS	FIS	FOS
Discussion Group Observation Score	.15*	.12*	.05
Discussion Group Inference Score		.06	.16*
Film Inference Score			.05

*p ≤ .05

Table VI-39: Correlation Matrix of Observation and Inference Scores

COVARIANCE ANALYSIS

PAS

The sponsor's interest in the PAS prompted its inclusion in this study. The WAIS (scoring basis for the PAS) was administered to 107 subjects who later took part in Phases II and III of the project. A rudimentary

analysis of these data will be presented below. Because PAS types are nominal, the regression analysis could be not used to test their effects on observation and inference scores. Thus, in order to test for these relationships and to include some of the important variables from the regression analysis, an analysis of covariance procedure was adopted. This allowed the addition of interval variables, normal level (I.Q.), and cognitive complexity level as covariates, and sex as an additional nominal variate.

To these three variables was added one of three types of PAS variable: (1) separate dimensions; (2) primitive level; and (3) basic level. The final model was in each instance (for each observation and inference score) a two-way analysis of covariance with two covariates. Only those runs which showed significant effects for a PAS variable or normal score will be discussed all non-significant results or those which showed on sex as significant appear in Appendix N.

As part of our examination of this area we enlisted the help of the developer of PAS, Dr. John Gittinger made several suggestions about how to analyze the PAS data and also offered a set of hypotheses. Our original objective was not to provide a controlled setting for hypothesis testing, but we had an interesting opportunity for a somewhat more formal approach and therefore, offer the following set of hypotheses:

- (1) That EA's should be best at observation
- (2) That IU's should be worst at observation
- (3) That ER's should be worst at inference
- (4) That EF's should be best at inference.

Table VI-40 shows a significant interaction effect between sex and the EI dimension on film observation. A similar interaction exists for

TABLE VI-40

Analysis of Covariance for PAS
Film Observation by Externalizer-Internalizer Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	28.741	2	14.370	2.263	0.107
CCS3	6.340	1	6.340	0.998	0.999
CCS3	17.268	1	17.268	2.719	0.098
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	7.335	2	3.668	0.578	0.999
EI	7.171	1	7.171	1.129	0.291
EI	0.020	1	0.020	0.003	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX	43.004	1	43.004	8.773	0.010
EI	43.004	1	43.004	6.773	0.010
EXPLAINED	79.080	5	15.816	2.491	0.036
RESIDUAL	6 4.967	100	6.350		
TOTAL	714.047	105	6.800		
COVARIATE					
NORMAL	BETA				
CCS3	-0.033				
	-0.016				
	N=106				

the RF dimension (Table VI-41). Tables VI-42 and VI-43 exhibit the unadjusted and adjusted deviations from the grand mean and provide an idea of the direction of differences. On Table VI-44 a significant main effect for the EI dimension on film inference is indicated. The unadjusted mean for Externalizers is 9.05, and for Internalizers it is 10.62. Thus, Internalizers do substantially better at this function than do Externalizers.

A final interaction between sex and the RF dimension occurs for Group Discussion Inference score (Table VI-45). Table VI-46 again provides deviation from the grand mean for each variable.

Primitive level shows significant relationships with Group Discussion Inference in Main Effects and for sex interaction. In terms of main effects it appears that ERU's are the poorest inferrers, and EFU's are the best. This result follows exactly the prediction made by Gittinger (numbers 3 and 4). It should, however, be kept in mind that these effects may be somewhat modified by sex and that this possibility is not shown in our results tables.

Analyses were also run against Basic Level types using the same covariance model and variables. In this case, however, there were no significant results on the PAS categories.

A final finding resulting from this analysis is that normal score is positively related to Group Discussion Inference level, i.e., as I.Q. increases, so does ability to correctly infer about the behavior of others in an interpersonal situation (Table VI-47).

PAS and Cognitive Complexity: As part of a continuing interest in the relationship between PAS personality types and Cognitive Complexity level, an analysis of covariance was done on personality dimensions

TABLE VI-41

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Film Observation by Regulated-Flexible Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES	28.741	2	14.370	2.294	0.104
NORMAL	6.340	1	6.340	1.012	0.318
CCS3	17.268	1	17.268	2.757	0.096
MAIN EFFECTS	9.113	2	4.556	0.728	0.999
CSEX	6.245	1	6.245	0.997	0.999
RF	1.798	1	1.798	0.287	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS	49.893	1	49.893	7.966	0.006
CSEX	49.893	1	49.893	7.966	0.006
RF					
EXPLAINED	87.747	5	17.549	2.802	0.021
RESIDUAL	626.301	100	6.263		
TOTAL	714.047	105	6.800		
COVARIATE			BETA		
NORMAL			-0.033		
CCS3			-0.016		

N=106

TABLE VI-42

Sex and EI Deviations on Film Inference

VARIABLE + CATEGORY	N	UNADJUSTED DEVIATION	BETA	ADJUSTED FOR INDEPENDENTS DEVIATION	BETA	ADJUSTED FOR + COVARIATES DEVIATION	BETA
Sex							
1	56	-0.31				-0.25	
1	50	0.35	0.13			0.28	0.10
EI							
1	43	-0.04				-0.02	
2	63	0.03	0.01			0.01	0.01
MULTIPLE R SQUARED						0.051	
MULTIPLE R						0.225	
GRAND MEAN = 8.92							

TABLE VI-43

Sex and RF Deviations on Film Inference

VARIABLE + CATEGORY	N	UNADJUSTED DEVIATION	BETA	ADJUSTED FOR INDEPENDENTS DEVIATION	BETA	ADJUSTED FOR + COVARIATES DEVIATION	BETA
Sex							
-1	56	-0.31				-0.23	
1	50	0.35	0.13			0.26	0.10
RF1							
1	58	0.17				0.12	
2	48	-0.20	0.07			-0.14	0.05
MULTIPLE R SQUARED							0.053
MULTIPLE R							0.230

Grand Mean = 8.92

TABLE VI-44

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Film Inference by Externalizer-Internalizer Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	14.241	2	7.120	1.185	0.310
CCS3	5.197	1	5.197	0.865	0.999
	6.293	1	6.293	1.048	0.310
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	62.754	2	31.377	5.224	0.007
EI	7.316	1	7.316	1.218	0.272
	45.539	1	45.539	7.581	0.007
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX	0.007	1	0.007	0.001	0.999
EI	0.007	1	0.007	0.001	0.999
EXPLAINED	77.002	5	15.400	2.564	0.031
RESIDUAL	600.682	100	6.007		
TOTAL	677.684	105	6.454		
COVARIATE					
NORMAL	BETA				
CCS3	-0.029				
	-0.010				

N=106

TABLE VI-45

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Group Discussion Inference by Regulated-Flexible Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	52.449	2	16.224	2.441	0.090
CCS5	31.981	1	31.981	4.812	0.029
	3.121	1	3.121	0.470	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	56.507	2	28.254	4.251	0.017
RF	53.549	1	53.549	8.058	0.005
	0.514	1	0.514	0.077	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX	138.929	1	138.929	20.905	0.001
RF	138.929	1	138.929	20.905	0.001
EXPLAINED	227.885	5	45.577	6.858	0.001
RESIDUAL	664.575	100	6.646		
TOTAL	892.458	105	8.500		
COVARIATE					
NORMAL	BETA				
CCS3	0.073				
	-0.007				

N=106

TABLE VI-46:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Group Discussion Inference by Primitive Level and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES	32.449	2	16.224	2.706	0.071
NOMAL	31.981	1	31.981	5.335	0.022
CCS3	3.121	1	3.121	0.521	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS	161.458	8	20.182	3.367	0.002
CSEX	43.212	1	43.212	7.208	0.008
PL	105.465	7	15.066	2.513	0.021
2-WAY INTERACTIONS	170.989	7	24.427	4.075	0.001
CSEX	170.990	7	24.427	4.075	0.001
EXPLAINED	364.896	17	21.464	3.580	0.001
RESIDUAL	527.562	88	5.995		
TOTAL	892.458	105	8.500		
COVARIATE					BETA
NORMAL					0.073
CCS3					-0.007

TABLE VI-47:

Sex and PL Deviation on Group Discussion Inference

VARIABLE + CATEGORY	N	UNADJUSTED DEVIATION BETA	ADJUSTED FOR INDEPENDENTS DEVIATION BETA	ADJUSTED FOR + COVARIATES DEVIATION BETA
Sex				
-1	56	0.68		0.64
1	50	-0.76		-0.71
			0.25	0.23
PL				
1	10	1.05		1.18
2	15	-2.21		-1.84
3	4	-0.04		-0.16
4	14	1.35		1.25
5	12	1.05		1.11
6	21	0.03		-0.09
7	7	-0.38		-0.70
8	23	-0.28		-0.33
			0.38	0.35
MULTIPLE R SQUARED				0.217
MULTIPLE R				0.466

GRAND MEAN = 27.65

and primitive level types and complexity level. All three isolated dimensions (EI, RF, and AU) were run against complexity level, and none were found to be significant. The same procedure was used for primitive level with the same result. Thus, for these subjects and using the measurement instrument described herein, there seems to be no relationship between these personality types, as defined by PAS, and level of cognitive complexity.

VII. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Two general problems were addressed in the beginning of this paper. They were: (1) the requirement to build a set of measures for observation and inference abilities; and (2) the need to identify available indicators which could serve as reliable predictors of observation and inference abilities. In addition, there were several sub-issues which were addressed in the analysis of the data. These included focusing, the role of cognitive complexity, the role of PAS, and the use of alternative stimulus settings as measures of observation and inference abilities. The study, designed to examine these problems, focused primarily on the first two. Thus, the procedures used were open-testing and multiple-measurement oriented, rather than tightly controlled or experimental.

In response to the first problem building instruments to measure observation and inference, a pair of stimulus settings and questionnaires was developed to measure observation and inference (about behaviors and attitudes) in each. In one case, the film stimulus, the conditions for virtually exact replication of our procedures and findings are available and relatively easy to produce. In the other, certain aspects of the situation, e.g., interpersonal situation, four-person groups, conflict discussions, etc., are relatively easy to simulate, but the exact conditions of each group can never be reproduced. Therefore, there are essential elements of that situation which are perceived as critical to the simulation of "real world" behavior. The single most important of these is interaction with other people at some level, preferably at a level which could cause some stress and lead to modification of comfortable, unguarded behavior patterns.

The second element in developing measurement instruments is finding the appropriate questions. Ideally the questions should be closely related to the kinds of problems faced in the real world. In this study that was not possible, so certain assumptions had to be made about the appropriate kinds of material to include. The extent to which correct choices were made is one measure of the usefulness of the study findings. The choices made in this project were direct toward selecting behaviors which bordered on or were anti-social or which reflected political attitudes, because it was felt these were the kinds of things which might be of interest in the real world.

In addition, a conscious effort was made to frame the questions in terms of behavior rather than values or attitudes, because behavior is generally a much more reliable predictor of the future than less concrete cognitive functions. Therefore, a questionnaire was constructed which elicited responses about real behaviors which were appropriate for our subjects and which might be taken as indications of underlying attitudes or value systems, but which certainly might be indicative of future behaviors. How valid these instruments are can ultimately only be tested in a "real world" context.

But if we assume that they are valid, then a next important step is to develop a way to predict skills in inference behavior. One classic approach is to tie inference skills to observational skills. The reasoning, that inferences are based on what we observe and therefore better observers should be better inferrers, has a long history and may even be true. However, social psychologists have had a difficult time relating these realms. A second approach is to develop, either theoretically or empirically, a set of predictor variables which can help narrow the gap between random

selection and absolute certainty. This is essentially the approach of all selection procedures.

In trying to respond to the second general problem, something was taken from both sides. Observation questionnaires were developed to serve as independent measures of a related skill and to act as potential substitute measures for inferential skills. A substantial set of other potential predictors, based on theoretical and empirical evidence, was also included. The hope was to find some one or combination of these variables which would reduce the chance element in identifying "good" inferrers.

The results of this effort were somewhat disappointing on several grounds. First, although a number of statistically significant predictors of inference and observation skills were found, none accounted for very much of the variance. Sex was by far the best predictor, and it accounted for only 18% of the variance at best. Other variables appeared several times, but accounted for much less. The most important of these are previous experience in the insurance business, practicality and suspiciousness (as measured in the 16PF), intelligence (normal score from the WAIS), and cognitive complexity, although this was generally in the "wrong" direction. A second, related factor was the absence of predictor variables which were universally associated with all criteria variables, again with the exception of sex. There was nothing which seemed to hold all of the criteria variables together. Although sex (or specifically, the ability of women to do significantly better than men in all of the tasks we tested) could serve as a useful predictor, it is unclear just what it is about being female that gives one these special skills. The interaction for which we tested did not provide any startling clues in this area, either.

The third ground for disappointment was the failure of cognitive complexity to play a large role in the prediction of relevant skills. In fact, complexity level was generally negatively related to observation and inference skills. At this point it would probably be idle speculation to pursue the potential holes in the theory or confounding factors that were interjected into the research methodology.

One thing is evident, however. If anyone expects to achieve a greater predictive capability, a considerably more controlled approach will be necessary. This study and others before it have taken an important step forward in defining many of the relevant variables and in identifying the problems and complexities of the observation and inference realms. Hopefully, future research will be directed at better-defined problem areas and more experimentally-oriented methodologies will be used. Specifically in terms of the results of this study, avenues for future work are (1) a breakdown of other variables associated with sex which help predict inferential skills; (2) a more tightly-controlled interpersonal interaction phase which isolates particular aspects of the inferring process; (3) better-defined goals which are tied to "real world" problems; and (4) a more careful examination of the PAS system and cognitive complexity as predictors, in whatever direction, of inference abilities.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A--TESTING PROCEDURES

SUMMARY

This Appendix consists of a detailed presentation of the procedures used and the instructions given during the course of the testing for this research. The testing was conducted in three phases. Phase I included the administration of (1) a cognitive complexity test; (2) a behavior questionnaire; (3) Form C or Form D of the 16PF; and, for approximately one-half of the subjects, (4) the Wexler Adult Intelligence Scale. Phases II and III were conducted approximately a week after Phase I. During Phase II, the subjects viewed a 24-minute film and completed a three-part Film Observation Questionnaire. Phase III consisted of a small group discussion, followed by the administration of a series of physical description and behavior questionnaires, and four Adjective Checklists. The complete instruments are presented in Appendices B through I.

PHASE I--SCREENING TEST

Preliminary Activities

Each subject initially received a manila envelope containing a Consent Form, the test instruments and answer sheets necessary for Phase I. The envelope also contained an index card with a number stamped thereon, which became the subject's identification number. Each instrument and answer sheet in the Phase I testing package was stamped with this same identification number, and the subjects were instructed to either save the card, or otherwise make sure that they remembered their identification number when they returned for Phases II and III of the testing. The subjects' names and identification numbers were never associated, and at no time did the experimenters know a subject's ID number.

The testing began with the reading of the project description and preliminary instructions. (See Exhibit 1.) The subjects were asked to sign the Consent Form (Exhibit 2) included in their packet of questionnaire materials, and to indicate the times they would be available to participate in Phases II and III.

Cognitive Complexity Test

The first test administered in Phase I was a cognitive complexity test. (See Appendix B.) This test was complete in approximately 20 minutes.

16PF

The second test in the series was the 16PF. Half of the subjects received test materials which included a Form C questionnaire and answer sheet, and half received the Form D questionnaire and answer sheet. Completion time for the 16PF was about 25 minutes.

Behavior Questionnaire

The third component of Phase I testing consisted of a 33-item "past behavior" questionnaire, and a 13-item demographic questionnaire, both of which were completed in 30-40 minutes. (These instruments are presented in Appendix C.)

Wexler Adult Intelligence Scale (WAIS)

Approximately half the subjects (107) were administered the WAIS. Selection of the subjects was accomplished by selecting every other male/female, starting from the front of the testing room, and then reversing the procedure for the next group of subjects, i.e., every other male/female was selected starting from the rear of the testing room. This process resulted in the random selection of approximately one-half of the male and one-half of the female subjects. The subjects who were not selected

EXHIBIT 1

THIS RESEARCH IS A TWO-PART PROJECT WHICH IS DESIGNED TO IDENTIFY OBSERVATION AND INFERENTIAL ABILITIES AND TO DETERMINE IF THERE ARE NATURAL CORRELATES OF THOSE ABILITIES AMONG PERSONALITY VARIABLES, COGNITIVE FUNCTIONING, AND PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE.

IN THE FIRST PART WE ARE INTERESTED IN DETERMINING VARIOUS ASPECTS OF YOUR BACKGROUND AND PERSONALITY. THESE ARE NOT TESTS AND WE URGE YOU TO ANSWER ALL PARTS FULLY AND HONESTLY. IN MOST CASES THERE IS NO CORRECT ANSWER, OR EVEN A "BEST" ANSWER. IN FACT, THE ONLY PROPER ANSWER IS WHAT YOU REALLY FEEL. IN ORDER TO PROTECT THOSE WHO MAY FEEL THAT THEIR ANSWERS ARE SENSITIVE WE HAVE DEVISED A SYSTEM TO KEEP ALL RESPONSES ANONYMOUS. THIS SYSTEM INVOLVES THE USE OF AN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER WHICH EACH OF YOU WILL BE ASSIGNED DURING THIS SESSION. THE NUMBER WILL ACT AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR YOUR NAME AND IT ENSURES ANONYMITY BECAUSE NO ONE IS ABLE TO CONNECT YOUR NUMBER TO YOUR NAME EXCEPT YOU. YOU WILL FIND A CARD STAMPED WITH YOUR NUMBER IN THE ENVELOPE OF QUESTIONNAIRE MATERIALS. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE IT WHEN YOU LEAVE BECAUSE IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR PARTICIPATION IN PART TWO OF THE PROJECT. IN FACT, THOSE WITHOUT NUMBERS (I.E., IF YOU LOSE YOUR NUMBER) WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO TAKE PART IN THE SECOND, MORE LUCRATIVE PHASE OF OUR RESEARCH.

PART 2 INVOLVES EXAMINATION OF YOUR SKILLS OF OBSERVATION AND INFERENCE. YOU WILL SEE A FILM AND ANSWER A QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE PEOPLE IN THE FILM, AND YOU WILL TAKE PART IN A SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION AND ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT. IT WILL TAKE ABOUT 2-1/2 HOURS AND WE WILL ASK YOU FOR AVAILABILITY TIMES DURING THIS SESSION. WE WILL NOTIFY YOU BY PHONE OF THE FINAL MEETING TIME AND PLACE.

NOW THAT WE ARE ON THAT SUBJECT, YOU WILL BE PAID AT THE END OF PART 2. THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE IN BOTH PARTS WILL RECEIVE \$13. A FEW OF YOU, WE DO NOT KNOW WHO AT THIS TIME, WILL TAKE PART ONLY IN PART 1. YOU WILL RECEIVE \$5 FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION. WE ARE PAYING MORE FOR THE SECOND PART BECAUSE IT IS SLIGHTLY LONGER AND BECAUSE WE WANT TO INSURE THAT YOU WILL RETURN. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THOSE WHO ARE CONTACTED COME BACK TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT. IF YOU DO NOT THINK YOU WILL BE ABLE TO DO THAT PLEASE STOP NOW. INCIDENTLY, THE BASIS FOR SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS FOR PART 2 HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOUR TEST RESULTS. IT WILL BE A MATTER OF SCHEDULING, SINCE WE MUST HAVE FOUR-PERSON GROUPS FOR THAT PHASE. THOSE WHO DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN PART 2 WILL BE THOSE WHOSE OWN SCHEDULE DOES NOT FIT WITH AT LEAST THREE OTHER PARTICIPANTS.

ANY QUESTIONS?

THERE WILL BE A COMPLETE DEBRIEFING AT THE END OF THE PROJECT. YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF TIME AND PLACE WHEN YOU COME FOR PART 2.

LET'S BEGIN. FIRST, TAKE THE SHEET ENTITLED "CONSENT FORM" FROM THE TOP OF YOUR PACKAGE OF QUESTIONNAIRES. READ IT AND SIGN IT. THE INFORMATION AT THE BOTTOM WILL ENABLE US TO RECONTACT YOU, AND IS NEVER ASSOCIATED WITH YOUR I.D. NUMBER.

(Let everyone do this)

NOW, TURN THIS SHEET OVER AND FILL IN THE TIMES THAT YOU WOULD BE AVAILABLE, NEXT WEEK, TO TAKE PART IN A GROUP DISCUSSION.

(Give them times for which groups may be scheduled. Ask them to give a 1st, 2nd and 3rd preference, etc.)

(Collect sheets and begin testing.)

Exhibit 2

Consent Form

I have been informed (1) that the Observation-Inference Study is a research project, conducted by the Human Resources Research Organization (a non-profit research organization), which attempts to determine differences in observational and inferential techniques; (2) that the Screening Questionnaire is a part of that study; (3) that as a participant in the study I will be responding to the Screening Questionnaire; (4) that in responding to the questionnaire I will be answering some questions which may be personal, but that there is no risk of disclosure of my individual responses because all of my responses are anonymous; (5) that I will receive five dollars (\$5.00) for completing my participation in the Screening Questionnaire phase of the study; (6) that there is a second phase of the study in which I may be asked to participate and for which I would receive an additional eight dollar (\$8.00) payment (full details of the second phase would be presented prior to actual participation); (7) that any of my questions concerning the procedures followed in that part of the study in which I am a participant will be fully answered; and (8) that I may discontinue my participation in the study at any time. Having been thus informed in these matters, I affirm that I am voluntarily responding to this questionnaire and willingly participating in this study.

_____/_____/_____
DATE

SIGNATURE

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

PHONE NUMBER

SEX

to be administered the WAIS were then dismissed. Trained WAIS administrators then conducted this phase of the testing, which required from 50 to 60 minutes.

Assignment to Groups

After the first week of testing (Phase I) was completed, the subjects' names were randomly divided into groups of four. The only restrictions placed upon this random division were that the groups be composed of all male or all female members, and that all of the members of the group be available at the same time. (At the beginning of the Phase I testing each subject had been asked to indicate when he/she would be available. See page 2, paragraph 3 of Exhibit 1.)

Subjects were then contacted by telephone (names and telephone numbers were obtained from the Consent Forms) to inform them of the time they should return for the group discussion. In some cases, subjects were in fact not available at the times they had indicated they would be, so that some reassignment of individuals was necessary as the scheduling proceeded.

PHASE II--FILM OBSERVATION

Preliminary Activities

During Phase II, groups of 4 to 16 subjects viewed a 24-minute film, and subsequently completed a three-part questionnaire about their observations of the film. (See Appendix L for a full discussion of the film that was used in this phase of the research.)*

Before the film was run, subjects received the following instruction:

*The subjects who saw the film together consisted of 1 to 4 of the pre-arranged discussion groups necessary for Phase III, but the subjects did not know who the other members of their group were.

"In watching this film you will be focusing on two people-- Bob and Mary Jane. You should notice everything you can about them. Upon conclusion of the film you will be asked questions about both of these subjects concerning both physical characteristics and behavior."

In addition, Bob and Mary Jane were identified by the testing monitor when they first appeared on the screen.

Film Questionnaire Administration

At the conclusion of the film, the testing monitor distributed the three-part Film Questionnaire. (See Appendices D, E, and F.) The three parts of the questionnaire were so arranged that all of the subjects would complete the "film observation" section first. The second and third sections ("Bob" inference and "Mary Jane" inference) were randomly alternated so that half of the subjects would complete the "Bob" questionnaire before the "Mary Jane" questionnaire, and the other half would complete the "Mary Jane" questionnaire first. Completion time for this phase of the testing was approximately one hour, including the film viewing.

PHASE III--GROUP DISCUSSIONS

Preliminary Activities

Immediately after the completion of the Phase II testing, the subjects were divided into the pre-determined groups of four. Each group was assigned a discussion monitor (i.e., a graduate student whom the subjects did not know), who took the group to a small, plain room containing four chairs. A small card was lying face-down on each chair. After the students had seated themselves, the cards were turned over to reveal the designation "A", "B", "C" or "D."

Instructions

The discussion monitor distributed instruction cards to each member of the group, according to their letter designations. Exhibit 3 shows the instructions given to each subject designated "A." Exhibit 4 shows the instructions given to individuals "B," "C," and "D." Subjects were asked to read the instructions silently while the discussion monitor read them aloud. The monitors did not read the third paragraph of the instructions given to the "A" individuals, which directed the "A's" to focus particularly upon the "B's." The instruction cards were then collected.

The subjects were then asked to take ten minutes to select a topic for subsequent discussion within the group. They were told to choose an issue upon which they could disagree, and were given some suggestions, e.g., politics, drugs, abortion, etc. The monitor then left the room for ten minutes, and upon his/her return, the discussion of the selected topic proceeded.

Discussion continued for 45-50 minutes, at which time the subjects were told that it was time to stop, and the Phase III questionnaires were distributed.

The function of the monitor within the group is set forth in Exhibit 5.

Discussion Group Observation Questionnaires

The first section of the Phase III testing consisted of four Physical Description Questionnaires. (This instrument is presented in its entirety in Appendix G.) The subjects were asked to turn their chairs away from the other group members so that they would not be able to see any other individual while completing these first four questionnaires. The discussion

leader was present to ensure that these directions were followed. Subjects then completed one questionnaire describing their own physical appearance, and one questionnaire describing each other member of the group. Thus, the subject designated "A" in the group completed one questionnaire describing himself/herself, and one questionnaire describing group members "B," "C," and "D."

Discussion Group Inference Questionnaires

The second section of the Phase III testing was composed of three "Discussion Questionnaires." (See Appendix H.) The subjects were directed to return their chairs to the original positions facing the other group members. The subjects then completed one "Discussion Questionnaire" for each of the other group members. For example, the subject designated "A" in the group received questionnaires which asked him/her to make inferences about the past behavior of subjects "B," "C," and "D." The letter designations of the other subjects had been filled in beforehand for question 1, so that the question read, "Did B/C/D vote in the last election?"

Adjective Checklists

During the third and final part of the Phase III testing, the subjects were directed to complete four Adjective Checklists. (The checklists are presented in Appendix I.) Subjects first completed a checklist describing themselves, and then completed three other checklists in which they were asked to infer how each of the other group members would fill out the checklist describing themselves, i.e., the subject designated "A" completed one checklist describing himself/herself and one checklist for each of the subjects "B," "C," and "D."

Subjects generally required from 45 to 60 minutes to complete all three sections of the Phase III testing.

COMPENSATION AND DEBRIEFING

When the subjects had completed all of the questionnaires associated with the Phase III testing, they were paid \$13 (by check) and dismissed. Subjects who, through scheduling or other difficulties, had participated in Phase I of the testing but had not returned for Phases II and III, received checks for \$5 by mail.

A debriefing was conducted on the evening of the last day of the Phase II and III testing. All subjects had been informed of the time and place, and told that attendance was voluntary.

Exhibit 5

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISCUSSION LEADERS

1. Leaders are there to help discussion along. They are not to express their own opinions. They may raise questions about particular aspects of the issue that they feel are not being discussed or which they feel would enliven the group's discussion, but they should not be drawn into the debate.
2. Leaders should try to get all group members to participate. Thus, if a subject has been quiet for a long period, the leader might say something like, "What do you think about that, Johnny?" or "Any other ideas, Suzy?" etc. As a group leader your objectives are to keep the discussion moving, get all Subjects to participate, and not to become the focal point of the discussion. The ideal situation would be to make your introduction and not have to say anything before "It's time to stop."
3. Some groups may find no issue upon which they disagree. Your function will be expanded in these cases. It will become your job to probe across a number of different subject areas and within areas to find out how each subject feels about the issue. Gently promote disagreement. Remember, the purpose of the group discussions is to get the group members to know each other a little better so that they can make valid observations and inferences at the end of the sessions. You must keep them talking.

Exhibit 3

YOU ARE SEATED IN POSITION "A"

In this part of the experiment, we will have a group discussion about a subject of mutual interest to you. At the end of this discussion, you will be asked about your observations of people during the discussion.

You will be answering questions about all of the people in the group.

You have been selected to make special observations. You should focus your attention to the person to your immediate left (position B). Do not show this card to anyone or indicate that you have this special assignment.

YOU ARE SEATED IN POSITION "B" ("C," "D")

In this part of the experiment, we will have a group discussion about a subject of mutual interest to you. At the end of this discussion, you will be asked about your observations of people during the discussion.

You will be answering questions about all of the people in the group.

APPENDIX B--COGNITIVE COMPLEXITY TEST

SCREENING TEST

The purpose of this section is to determine how individuals view other people. In order to do this we are asking you to describe the various attributes and qualities of people in the following questionnaire. We are interested in finding out what aspects of other people, in general, you think are important when you are trying to understand or evaluate them.

Remove that stack of cards from the envelope. On each card separately write one of the characteristics (a word or phrase) that is important to you in your description or evaluation (or understanding) of people. You can put down whatever comes to your mind, since there is no one list of characteristics that can be considered as either "correct" or "incorrect". Every one of us sees things in a slightly different way. You should include both positive and negative characteristics.

You may have too many or too few cards, but this shouldn't bother you. Put down as many characteristics as you feel are necessary to understand people adequately. Work rapidly. You will have approximately 10 minutes to complete this part of the questionnaire. If you need more cards raise your hand. Do not stop simply because you have run out of cards.

AS AN EXAMPLE, if you were evaluating "cars", you might list:
A - big; B - bright; C - shiny; D - fast; E - safe; F - steel; G - expensive; H - square; I - comfortable; J - automatic; K - transportation; L - good pickup; M - Ralph Nader; N - pollution; O - compact; P - sleek.

DO NOT GO ON TO THE NEXT PAGE.

Lay out in front of you all the cards you used for listing the characteristics. Look them over carefully and notice whether they fall into some broad natural groups. If they do, arrange them into such groups.

Do so now.

Continuing our example: The attributes listed on the previous page may be divided into: (1) How the car looks (A, B, C and H); (2) How the car operates (D, I, J, E); and (3) The function of the car (K).

Stop when you have finished this operation.

DO NOT CONTINUE UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO DO SO.

Now look at your groups one by one and see whether these can't be broken down into subgroups. If they can, separate the cards accordingly. It is also possible that these subgroups can be broken down further, and so on.

When you have arranged all cards into groups and subgroups, list your groupings on the sheet provided as if they were points and subpoints of an outline. First, give names or titles to your groups and subgroups. Then in the right-hand column list the letters of all the characteristics that belong in the respective group or subgroup. Letters may be used in more than one group or subgroup if you feel the attribute has more than one aspect. If you have any questions please ask now.

FOR EXAMPLE:

1. Appearance

- A. Color -- B & C
- B. Size -- A & O
- C. Shape -- H & P

2. Operation

- A. Speed -- D & L
- B. Ride -- E & I

etc.

There are, of course, many other aspects of cars that could have been described and many different groups into which they could have been divided.

DO NOT GO ON TO NEXT PAGE UNTIL TOLD TO DO SO.

APPENDIX C--BEHAVIOR QUESTIONNAIRE AND
DEMOGRAPHIC QUESTIONNAIRE

IV. BEHAVIOR QUESTIONNAIRE

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer all questions. Keep in mind that your responses are anonymous, so answer questions as honestly as possible.

1. Were you eligible to vote in the last general election (1974)?

YES _____ NO _____ DON'T KNOW _____

2. Did you vote in that election?

YES _____ NO _____

3. Indicate with a checkmark those political activities you have participated in within the past three years (back to the 1972 general election campaigns).

- a. _____ Talked with friends about the election/issues.
- b. _____ Tried to persuade others to vote for a particular candidate.
- c. _____ Talked to or written Congressman or other public official to let them know what you would like them to do on a public issue.
- d. _____ Contributed money to a political party.
- e. _____ Contributed money to a particular candidate.
- f. _____ Did canvassing or other public campaigning.
- g. _____ Worked as a volunteer at a clerical or administrative job on on a political campaign.
- h. _____ Ran for office. Which office? _____

4. Are you now or have you ever been a member of any politically active group other than the two major political parties (e.g., NOM, NAB, SDS, NAACP, ACLU, ADA, KKK, etc.)?

_____ Yes, currently.

4a. Which group(s)?

_____ Yes, but no longer. When? _____ years ago

4b. Which group(s)?

_____ No, never.

5. Which major political party are you affiliated with?

American Independent

Democratic

Republican

6. Have you ever been in the military service?

YES

NO

6a. If YES, which branch?

Army

Navy

Coast Guard

Marine Corps

Air Force

6b. When? From _____ to _____
month/year month/year

7. Are you a member of a veteran's organization?

YES

NO

7a. If YES, which? _____

8. Have you ever taken any action to avoid being drafted into the military service?

YES

NO

8a. If YES, what action? _____

9. Are you a member of any fraternal organization(s)? (If in college, fraternities; if out of college, other groups like K of C, Shriners, etc.)

YES

NO

9a. If YES, which? _____

10. Do you own a handgun?

YES

NO

17. Is there some other value that is more important than any of those in the list (Question 15)?

YES _____

NO _____

17a. If YES, what is it? _____

18. Are you satisfied with your life or would you like to embark in some major new direction?

- _____ Very satisfied with current course.
- _____ Generally satisfied, but would like some changes.
- _____ Generally dissatisfied, would like some major changes.
- _____ Totally dissatisfied, would like a clean slate and a total new start.

19. How many different jobs have you held during the past 2 years?

- _____ One
- _____ Two
- _____ Three
- _____ Four
- _____ Five or more

20. Have you ever been fired or asked to resign from a job?

- _____ Once
- _____ Twice
- _____ Three times
- _____ More than three times

21. Have you been involved in a fist or shouting fight during:

- | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| _____ The last month | _____ Four or more years ago |
| _____ The last year | _____ Never |
| _____ The last three years | |

22. In the past I have lied:

- _____ In the most important circumstances
- _____ In unimportant matters
- _____ To save someone's feelings
- _____ Never

23. I have cheated on exams

- _____ When I was really unprepared
- _____ When I thought I would fail if I didn't
- _____ On unimportant quizzes
- _____ If the opportunity accidentally presented itself
- _____ Never

24. Were you ever arrested?

- Yes, once.
 Yes, more than once.
 No, never.

25. How often do you attend church?

- Every week. A couple of times a year.
 About 1-3 times a month. Never.
 Every few months.

26. Did you ever run away from home?

- Yes, once.
 Yes, twice.
 Yes, three or more times.
 No, never.

27. Check each of the following things you have done in the past (since you were 16):

- a. Hitch-hiked across the country.
b. Traveled unaccompanied (without parents or guardian and not on a guided tour) through Europe.
c. Spent some time (more than a few days) in a commune.
d. Shoplifted for fun or excitement.
e. Raced your car.
f. Hunted.
g. Flown an airplane or parachuted or skydived or deep sea dived.

28. Do you gamble (horse races, football games, state lottery, cards, etc.)?

- Every day.
 Several times a week.
 A few times a month.
 A few times a year.
 Once a year or less.
 Never.

29. Do you drink alcoholic beverages?

- Every day.
- Several times a week.
- A few times a month.
- A few times a year.
- Never.

30. Would you rather live than anything else?

- Yes No

31. Do you have a "creative" hobby or vocation, e.g., painting, sculpture, ballet, writing short stories, etc.?

- Yes If yes, which? _____
 No

32. Are you very concerned about your physical safety?

- Yes No

33. Have you ever seriously contemplated or attempted suicide?

- Yes No

33a. If YES, how long ago? _____ years

DEMOGRAPHIC QUESTIONNAIRE

V

1. How do you describe yourself?

- American Indian
- Black or Afro-American or Negro
- Mexican American or Chicano
- Puerto Rican
- Other Latin American origin
- Oriental or Asian American
- White or Caucasian
- Other _____

2. How many brothers and sisters do you have?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 or more

3. What is the highest level of school you have completed?

- Did not graduate from high school
- High school graduate
- completed business or trade school
- some college
- Associate degree (2 year college)
- b.A. or B.S.
- Some graduate school
- M.A. or M.S.
- Law degree
- PhD, M.D., E.D.

4. What religion were you brought up in?

- Protestant
- Roman Catholic
- Other Christian
- Jewish
- Other (e.g., Eastern religions)
- None

5. How old are you? _____

6. What is your sex? _____ Female _____ Male

7. What is [your] [the] approximate income before taxes [of your parents (or guardian)]? Include taxable and non-taxable income from all sources.

- Less than \$3,000 a year (about \$60 a week or less)
- Between \$3,000 and \$5,999 a year (from \$60 to \$119 a week)
- Between \$6,000 and \$7,499 a year (from \$120 to \$149 a week)
- Between \$7,500 and \$8,999 a year (from \$150 to \$179 a week)
- Between \$9,000 and \$10,499 a year (from \$180 to \$209 a week)
- Between \$10,500 and \$11,999 a year (from \$210 to \$239 a week)
- Between \$12,000 and \$13,499 a year (from \$240 to \$269 a week)
- Between \$13,500 and \$18,000 a year (from \$300 to \$359 a week)
- Over \$18,000 a year (about \$360 a week or more)
- I have no idea.

8. Which best describes the location of the place in which you live?

- In a rural or farming community
- In a small city or town of fewer than 50,000 people that is not a suburb of a larger place
- In a medium-sized city (50,000-100,000 people)
- In a suburb of a medium-sized city
- In a large city (100,000-500,000 people)
- In a suburb of a large city
- In a very large city (over 500,000 people)
- In a suburb of a very large city

9. What were your grades in school (if highest completed is high school, use high school grades; if you attended college, use college grades-undergraduate.)?

- Mostly A's
- Mostly A's and B's
- Mostly B's and C's
- Mostly C's and D's
- Mostly D's and below

9a. What was your GPA?

_____ on a _____ point system

10. How much money do you have in the bank?

- None
- less than \$500
- between \$500 and \$2500
- between \$2500 and \$10,000
- more than \$10,000

11. If you have a life insurance policy, what is the face value of the policy?

\$ _____

don't have a life insurance policy

12. What is your occupation (if full-time student, not student; if part-time student put student and job; if full-time employment be precise about your job)?

12a. If fully employed, how long have you held this job?

_____yrs.

13. What is your marital status?

- Married
- Divorced
- Widow/widower
- Separated
- Single (never married)

APPENDIX D--FILM OBSERVATION TEST

FILM QUESTIONNAIRE

Answer all of the following questions about the film that you have seen. Please indicate how sure you are that your answer is correct by marking the appropriate right hand column.

		How confident are you that your answer is correct?		
		Very Confident	Fairly Confident	Guessing
1.	Did Mary Jane ever wear a dress in the film? Yes _____ ? No _____	_____	_____	_____
* 2.	How many different outfits did Mary Jane wear? _____ One _____ Two _____ Three _____ Four	_____	_____	_____
* 3.	How many different outfits did Bob wear? _____ One _____ Two _____ Three _____ Four	_____	_____	_____
4.	Did either person wear glasses? _____ Mary Jane _____ Bob _____ Both _____ Neither	_____	_____	_____
* 5.	Did either smoke? _____ Mary Jane _____ Bob _____ Both _____ Neither	_____	_____	_____
* 6.	In the first part of the film Mary Jane wore: _____ Long earrings _____ A shiny pendant _____ A pearl necklace _____ No jewelry _____ None of the above	_____	_____	_____

*Starred items indicate those used in the final determination of scale scores.

How confident are you that
your answer is correct?

Very Confident	Fairly Confident	Guessing
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*7. Mary Jane always wore a sweater or blouse
and slacks.

True _____ False _____

_____	_____	_____
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8. Mary Jane wore her hair:

_____ Up
_____ Down over her shoulders
_____ In a ponytail

_____	_____	_____
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9. Bob had:

_____ Long hair
_____ Curly hair
_____ Short hair

_____	_____	_____
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*10. Did Bob or Mary Jane eat or drink anything?

_____ Bob ate something
_____ Bob drank something
_____ Mary Jane ate something
_____ Mary Jane drank something
_____ Neither ate or drank anything

_____	_____	_____
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*11. In one scene Bob was sitting on the couch.

True _____ False _____

_____	_____	_____
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12. What kind of "monster" did Mary Jane
want to be?

_____ Sea nymph
_____ Troll
_____ Escape artist
_____ Forester

_____	_____	_____
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*13. Did Mary Jane ever cry?

_____ Never
_____ Once
_____ Twice
_____ Three times

_____	_____	_____
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14. Did Bob ever cry?

_____ Never
_____ Once
_____ Twice
_____ Three times

_____	_____	_____
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15. Who told Bob he was crazy to be on the show?

_____ His wife
_____ His boss
_____ A person close to him
_____ A person he hardly knew

_____	_____	_____
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How confident are you that
your answer is correct?

Very Fairly
Confident Confident Guessing

16. Who "won again?"

- Bob said Mary Jane did.
- Mary Jane said Bob did.
- Bob said the therapist did.
- Mary Jane said the therapist did.

* 17. Who sat just to Bob's right (your left)?

- Mary Jane
- Therapist
- Jim
- Assistant Therapist

* 18. How many people were in the group
(in each scene)?

- Six
- Seven
- Eight
- Nine
- Ten

* 19. What was the therapist's name?

- Sam Everett
- Bob Everett
- Everett Shostrom
- Jim Shore

* 20. What was "Bob's secret?"

- He was a manipulator
- He was a transvestite
- He was afraid of women
- He was afraid of men

* 21. How many therapists were there?

- One
- Two
- Three
- Four

22. What was the thing Bob and Mary Jane were
trying to avoid?

- The therapist
- Themselves
- Contact with others
- Fear

How confident are you that
your answer is correct?

Very Fairly
Confident Confident Guessing

* 23. Who was Bob's "biggest sucker?"

- The therapist
- Mary Jane
- Himself
- His wife

* 24. Who did Mary Jane need a part of?

- The therapist
- Bob
- The assistant therapist
- Bob and the therapist
- The therapist and the assistant therapist

* 25. Who did Bob want to make a speech?

- Mary Jane
- The therapist
- The assistant therapist

26. Who did Bob fail?

- Mary Jane
- The therapist
- The assistant therapist

APPENDIX E--FILM INFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE "BOB"

FILM QUESTIONNAIRE

Answer all of the following questions about Bob. You will probably be more sure of some answers than others. For those questions which require it, indicate how sure you are that your answer is correct by marking the appropriate right hand column. Indicate whether or not you think Bob is the kind of person who has done or is currently doing the following things:

	How confident are you that your answer is correct?				
	Yes	No	Very Confident	Fairly Confident	Guessing
1. Is a hunter.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
*2. Would tell her/his boss off.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
*3. Would go mountain climbing.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. Would shoplift.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
*5. Was recently fired from a job.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. Would use illegal drugs.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7. Would gamble.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
8. Would quit her/his job without having another	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
9. Would be driven to earn more and more money.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
10. Cheat on her/his income tax.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
*11. Recently get involved in a fist or shouting fight.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
12. Would be a homosexual.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
13. Would attend church regularly or be very religious.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
14. Would regularly attend football games.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
15. Would try to get ahead socially.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
*16. Would be a political conservative.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

*Starred items indicate those used in the final determination of scale scores.

How confident are you that your answer is correct?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Very Confident</u>	<u>Fairly Confident</u>	<u>Guessing</u>
17. Would lie in important circumstances.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 18. Would lie in unimportant circumstances.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
19. Would lie to save someone's feelings.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
20. Would never lie.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
21. Would have strong family ties.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
22. Would be strongly influenced by material wealth.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 23. Would rather live than <u>anything</u> else.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 24. Wants to <u>win</u> more than anything else.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 25. Would have illicit sexual relationships.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 26. Cheat on her/his spouse.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 27. Would have a drinking problem.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
28. Would be politically liberal.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
29. Would be a "radical."	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
30. Would participate in a political demonstration (e.g., anti-Vietnam or integration).	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 31. Be active in regular party politics.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
32. Belong to a non-party politically oriented group (e.g., NAACP, ACLU, John Birch Society, KKK, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 33. Own a handgun.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 34. Engage in creative hobbies (e.g., painting, sculpture, ballet, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

How confident are you that
your answer is correct?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Very Confident</u>	<u>Fairly Confident</u>	<u>Guessing</u>
35. Would be highly concerned about physical safety.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
36. Would be likely to move from job to job.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 37. Would be dishonest in her/his business dealings.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 38. Attempt suicide.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
39. Do adventuresome things (e.g., skydive, skindive, parachute, drive in organized auto races, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
40. Would get married again.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

APPENDIX F--FILM INFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE--MARY JANE

FILM QUESTIONNAIRE *

Answer all of the following questions about Mary Jane. You will probably be more sure of some answers than others. For those questions which require it, indicate how sure you are that your answer is correct by marking the appropriate right hand column. Indicate whether or not you think Mary Jane is the kind of person who has done or is currently doing the following things:

	How confident are you that your answer is correct?				
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Very Confident</u>	<u>Fairly Confident</u>	<u>Guessing</u>
1. Is a hunter.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 2. Would tell her/his boss off.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. Would go mountain climbing.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 4. Would shoplift.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. Was recently fired from a job.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. Would use illegal drugs.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7. Would gamble.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 8. Would quit her/his job without having another	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 9. Would be driven to earn more and more money.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 10. Cheat on her/his income tax.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 11. Recently get involved in a fist or shouting fight.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
12. Would be a homosexual.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
13. Would attend church regularly or be very religious.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
14. Would regularly attend football games.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
15. Would try to get ahead socially.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 16. Would be a political conservative.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

*Starred items indicate those used in the final determination of scale scores.

How confident are you that
your answer is correct?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Very Confident</u>	<u>Fairly Confident</u>	<u>Guessing</u>
17. Would lie in important circumstances.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 18. Would lie in unimportant circumstances.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 19. Would lie to save someone's feelings.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
20. Would never lie.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
21. Would have strong family ties.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 22. Would be strongly influenced by material wealth.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
23. Would rather live than <u>anything else</u> .	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 24. Wants to <u>win more than anything else</u> .	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
25. Would have illicit sexual relationships.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
26. Cheat on her/his spouse.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
27. Would have a drinking problem.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 28. Would be politically liberal.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 29. Would be a "radical."	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 30. Would participate in a political demonstration (e.g., anti-Vietnam or integration).	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
31. Be active in regular party politics.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
32. Belong to a non-party politically oriented group (e.g., NAACP, ACLU, John Birch Society, KKK, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 33. Own a handgun.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 34. Engage in creative hobbies (e.g., painting, sculpture, ballet, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

How confident are you that
your answer is correct?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Very Confident</u>	<u>Fairly Confident</u>	<u>Guessing</u>
* 35. Would be highly concerned about physical safety.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
36. Would be likely to move from job to job.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 37. Would be dishonest in her/his business dealings.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 38. Attempt suicide.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
* 39. Do adventuresome things (e.g., skydive, skindive, parachute, drive in organized auto races, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
40. Would get married again.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

APPENDIX G--DISCUSSION GROUP OBSERVATION QUESTIONNAIRE--

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION QUESTIONNAIRE *

Circle the letter of the alternative to each statement which best describes yourself.

* 1. Predominant color of hair:

- | | |
|----------|------------------|
| a. Brown | d. Red |
| b. Black | e. Gray or White |
| c. Blond | |

* 2. Hair Length:

- a. Long
- b. Short

* 3. Color of Eyes:

- | | |
|----------|----------|
| a. Brown | d. Green |
| b. Blue | e. Hazel |
| c. Gray | |

4. Race:

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------|
| a. Caucasian | d. Oriental |
| b. Negro | e. Other |
| c. Indian (American) | |

* 5. Height:

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| a. less than 5' | d. 5'7" - 5'9" |
| b. 5'0" - 5'3" | e. 5'10" - 6'0" |
| c. 5'4" - 5'6" | f. over 6' |

* 6. Weight:

- | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| a. less than 110 pounds | e. 171 lbs. - 190 lbs. |
| b. 111 lbs - 130 lbs | f. 191 lbs - 220 lbs. |
| c. 131 lbs - 150 lbs. | g. more than 220 lbs. |
| d. 151 lbs - 170 lbs. | |

7. Sex:

- a. Female
- b. Male

*Starred items indicate those used in the final determination of scale scores.

* 8. Facial Hair:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| a. Moustache alone | c. Moustache and Beard |
| b. Beard alone (nothing over top lip) | d. None |

* 9. General Build:

- a. Slim
- b. Average
- c. Heavy

* 10. Visual Aids:

- a. Glasses
- b. Contact lenses
- c. None

* 11. Main color of shirt or blouse worn today:

- | | |
|-----------|----------------|
| a. Blue | f. Orange |
| b. Red | g. Pink-Violet |
| c. Brown | h. White |
| d. Green | i. Black |
| e. Yellow | j. Plaid |

12. Main color of pants, shorts or skirt worn today:

- | | |
|-----------|----------------|
| a. Blue | f. Orange |
| b. Red | g. Pink-Violet |
| c. Brown | h. White |
| d. Green | i. Black |
| e. Yellow | j. Plaid |

* 13. Smoking habit during discussion:

- | | |
|---------------|---------|
| a. Cigarettes | c. Pine |
| b. Cigars | d. None |

* 14. Bracelets or watches worn today:

- | | |
|----------------------------|--|
| a. Bracelets on either arm | c. Bracelet on one arm, watch on the other arm |
| b. Watch on either arm | d. None |

* 15. Rings worn today:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. 1 or 2 rings on any fingers | c. more than 4 rings on any fingers |
| b. 3 or 4 rings on any fingers | d. None |

* 16. Age:

- | | |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| a. 17-20 years | d. 31-40 years |
| b. 21-23 years | e. 41-50 years |
| c. 24-30 years | f. more than 50 years |

* 17. Main color of shoes worn today:

- | | |
|----------|----------------|
| a. Black | c. Red |
| b. Brown | f. Tan |
| c. White | g. Other _____ |
| d. Blue | |

* 18. Socks or stockings worn today?

- a. Yes
- b. No

18a. If yes, what type or color? _____

* 19. Main color of coat or sweater worn today?

- | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| a. Blue | f. Orange |
| b. Red | g. Pink-Violet |
| c. Brown | h. White |
| d. Green | i. Black |
| e. Yellow | j. Plaid (basic color(s)) _____ |

20. Do you have any visible scars or other distinguishing physical characteristics?

- a. Yes
- b. No

If yes, what are they? _____

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION QUESTIONNAIRE *

Circle the letter of the alternative to each statement which best describes _____ . (One copy each for the other group members)

* 1. Predominant color of hair:

- | | |
|----------|------------------|
| a. Brown | d. Red |
| b. Black | e. Gray or White |
| c. Blond | f. Didn't notice |

* 2. Hair length:

- a. Long
- b. Short
- c. Didn't notice

* 3. Color of Eyes:

- | | |
|----------|------------------|
| a. Brown | d. Green |
| b. Blue | e. Hazel |
| c. Gray | f. Didn't notice |

4. Race:

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------|
| a. Caucasian | d. Oriental |
| b. Negro | e. Other |
| c. Indian (American) | |

* 5. Height:

- | | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| a. less than 5' | d. 5'7" - 5'9" |
| b. 5'0" - 5'3" | e. 5'10" - 6'0" |
| c. 5'4" - 5'6" | f. over 6' |
| | g. Didn't notice |

* 6. Weight:

- | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| a. less than 110 pounds | e. 171 lbs. - 190 lbs. |
| b. 111 lbs. - 130 lbs. | f. 191 lbs. - 220 lbs. |
| c. 131 lbs. - 150 lbs. | g. more than 220 lbs. |
| d. 151 lbs. - 170 lbs. | h. no idea |

7. Sex:

- a. Female
- b. Male

*Starred items indicate those used in final determination of scale scores.

* 8. Facial Hair:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| a. Moustache alone | c. Moustache and beard. |
| b. Beard alone (nothing over top lip) | d. None |
| | e. Didn't notice |

* 9. General Build:

- a. Slim
- b. Average
- c. Heavy

* 10. Visual Aids:

- a. Glasses
- b. Contact lenses
- c. None
- d. Didn't notice

* 11. Main color of shirt or blouse worn today:

- | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| a. Blue | f. Orange |
| b. Red | g. Pink-Violet |
| c. Brown | h. White |
| d. Green | i. Black |
| e. Yellow | j. Plaid, basic color(s) _____ |
| | k. Didn't notice |

12. Main color of pants, shorts or skirt worn today:

- | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| a. Blue | f. Orange |
| b. Red | g. Pink-Violet |
| c. Brown | h. White |
| d. Green | i. Black |
| e. Yellow | j. Plaid, basic color(s) _____ |
| | k. Didn't notice |

* 13. Smoking habits during discussion:

- | | |
|---------------|------------------|
| a. Cigarettes | c. Pipe |
| b. Cigars | d. None |
| | e. Didn't notice |

* 14. Bracelets or watches worn today:

- | | |
|----------------------------|--|
| a. Bracelets on either arm | c. Bracelet on one arm, watch on the other arm |
| b. Watch on either arm | d. None |
| | e. Didn't notice |

* 15. Rings worn today:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. 1 or 2 rings on any finger | c. More than 4 rings on any fingers |
| b. 3 or 4 rings on any fingers | d. None |
| | e. Didn't notice |

* 16. Age:

- | | |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| a. 17-20 years | d. 31-40 years |
| b. 21-23 years | e. 41-50 years |
| c. 24-30 years | f. more than 50 years |
| | g. no idea |

* 17. Main color of shoes worn today:

- | | |
|----------|------------------|
| a. Black | e. Red |
| b. Brown | f. Tan |
| c. White | g. Other _____ |
| d. Blue | h. Didn't notice |

* 18. Socks or stockings worn today?

- a. Yes
b. No

18a. If yes, what type or color? _____

* 19. Main color of coat or sweater worn today?

- | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| a. Blue | f. Orange |
| b. Red | g. Pink-Violet |
| c. Brown | h. White |
| d. Green | i. Black |
| e. Yellow | j. Plaid, basic color(s) _____ |
| | k. Didn't notice |

20. Did you notice any scars or other distinguishing marks?

- a. Yes If Yes, describe _____
b. No

21. Are there any other distinctive physical characteristics of how
_____ looked or acted that you can think of?

APPENDIX H--DISCUSSION GROUP INFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

DISCUSSION QUESTIONNAIRE *

The following are a list of questions about the people with whom you were just discussing _____. You will probably recognize the questions from the previous questionnaire about your own activities in these areas. In this questionnaire, we would like you to give your best estimate of the past behavior of the other members of the group. We realize your discussion did not cover most of these areas, but we want you to make an effort to infer behaviors on all of the questions anyway. It is important that you answer all of the questions.

(One copy each for the other group members)

* 1. Did _____ vote in the last general election?

- ____ Yes
____ No
____ No, too young

2. Indicate with a checkmark those political activities you think _____ has participated in within the past three years (back to the 1972 general election campaigns).

- a. _____ Talked with friends about the election/issues.
b. _____ Tried to persuade others to vote for a particular candidate.
* c. _____ Talked to or written Congressman or other public official to let them know what she/he would like them to do on a public issue.
d. _____ Contributed money to a political party.
* e. _____ Contributed money to a particular candidate.
* f. _____ Did canvassing or other public campaigning.
* g. _____ Worked as a volunteer at a clerical or administrative job on a political campaign.
h. _____ Ran for office. Which office? _____

* 3. Do you think _____ is currently a member of any politically active group, other than the two major political parties (e.g., NOW, YAF, SDS, NAACP, ACLU, KKK, etc.)?

Yes _____ No _____

* 3a. If Yes, which group(s) would you say? _____

* 4. Do you think _____ has ever been a member of such a group?

Yes _____ No _____

*Starred items indicate those used in the final determination of scale scores.

* 11. Has _____ ever used narcotics (heroin, etc.) for other than medical reasons?

_____ Every day _____ Once or twice in his/her life
_____ About once a week _____ Never
_____ About once a month

* 12. Do you think _____ has ever participated in a political demonstration, rally, march, or sit-in not associated with regular political party activity?

Yes _____ No _____

* 13. Has _____ ever committed an act of civil disobedience?

Yes _____ No _____

* 14. Which 3 of the following 11 values listed below does _____ feel are most important to him/her? (Use letters:)

* 15. Which 3 of the 11 values listed below does _____ feel are least important to him/her? (Use letters.)

- A. A good income
- B. Good interpersonal relationships
- C. A chance to contribute to her/his community and society
- D. Secure employment
- E. Equality
- F. Personal safety
- G. Freedom of choice or expression
- H. Creative experience
- I. Relationships with close friends
- J. Adventure
- F. Family

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*16. Is there some other value you think might be more important to _____?

Yes _____ *If Yes, which? _____

No _____

*17. Do you think _____ is satisfied with her/his life or would she/he like to embark in some major new direction?

- _____ Very satisfied with current course.
- _____ Generally satisfied, but would like some changes.
- _____ Generally dissatisfied, would like some major changes.
- _____ Totally dissatisfied, would like a clean slate and a total new start.

*18. How many different jobs would you say _____ has held during the past 2 years?

- _____ One
- _____ Two
- _____ Three
- _____ Four
- _____ Five or more

*19. Has _____ ever been fired or asked to resign from a job?

- _____ Once
- _____ Twice
- _____ Three times
- _____ More than three times

*20. Has _____ been involved in a fist or shouting fight during:

- _____ the last month _____ four or more years ago
- _____ the last year _____ never
- _____ the last three years

21. In the past _____ has lied:

- _____ in the most important circumstances
- _____ in unimportant matters
- _____ to save someone's feelings
- _____ never

*22. _____ has cheated on exams

- _____ when he/she was really unprepared
- _____ when he/she thought he/she would fail if he/she didn't
- _____ on unimportant quizzes
- _____ if the opportunity accidentally presented itself
- _____ never

*23. Was _____ ever arrested?

- _____ Yes, once
- _____ Yes, more than once
- _____ No, never

* 24. How often does _____ attend church?

_____ Every week
_____ About 1-3 times a month
_____ Every few months
_____ A couple of times a year
_____ Never

* 25. Did _____ ever run away from home?

_____ Yes, once
_____ Yes, twice
_____ Yes, three or more times
_____ No, never

26. Check each of the following things you think _____ has done in the past (since she/he was 16):

- * a. _____ Hitch-hiked across the country
- * b. _____ Traveled unaccompanied (without parents or guardian and not on a guided tour) through Europe.
- * c. _____ Spent some time (more than a few days) in a commune.
- * d. _____ Shoplifted for fun or excitement.
- * e. _____ Raced her/his car.
- * f. _____ Hunted.
- * g. _____ Flown an airplane or parachuted or skydived or deep sea dived.

* 27. Does _____ gamble (horse races, football games, state lottery, cards, etc.)?

_____ Every day
_____ Several times a week
_____ A few times a month
_____ A few times a year
_____ Once a year or less
_____ Never

* 28. Does _____ drink alcoholic beverages?

_____ every day
_____ several times a week
_____ a few times a month
_____ a few times a year
_____ never

29. Does _____ seem like a person who would put his own life above all else?
 Yes _____ No _____
- * 30. Does _____ have any "creative" hobbies or a "creative" vocation, e.g., painting, sculpture, ballet, writing short stories, etc.?
 Yes _____ * If Yes, which? _____
 No _____
31. Is _____ particularly concerned about her/his physical safety?
 Yes _____ No _____
- * 32. Is _____ the type of person to have seriously contemplated or attempted suicide?
 Yes _____ No _____
- * 33. What religion would you say _____ was brought up in?

34. What is _____'s education level -- degree or year in college?

- * 35. What is _____'s income or his/her parents' income if a student?
 _____ Less than \$3,000 a year (about \$60 a week or less)
 _____ Between \$3,000 and \$5,999 a year (from \$60 to \$119 a week)
 _____ Between \$6,000 and \$7,499 a year (from \$120 to \$149 a week)
 _____ Between \$7,500 and \$8,999 a year (from \$150 to \$179 a week)
 _____ Between \$9,000 and \$10,499 a year (from \$180 to \$209 a week)
 _____ Between \$10,500 and \$11,999 a year (from \$210 to \$239 a week)
 _____ Between \$12,000 and \$13,499 a year (from \$240 to \$269 a week)
 _____ Between \$13,500 and \$14,999 a year (from \$270 to \$299 a week)
 _____ Between \$15,000 and \$18,000 a year (from \$300 to \$359 a week)
 _____ Over \$18,000 a year (about \$360 a week or more)
- * 36. What size home town do you think _____ comes from?
 _____ In a rural or farming community
 _____ In a small city or town of fewer than 50,000 people that is not a suburb of a larger place
 _____ In a medium-sized city (50,000-100,000 people)
 _____ In a suburb of a medium-sized city
 _____ In a large city (100,000-500,000 people)
 _____ In a suburb of a large city
 _____ In a very large city (over 500,000 people)
 _____ In a suburb of a very large city

* 37. What kind of grades did/does _____ get in school/college?

- Mostly A's
- Mostly A's and B's
- Mostly B's and C's
- Mostly C's and D's
- Mostly D's and below

* 38. How much money would you say _____ has in the bank?

- None
- less than \$500
- between \$500 and \$2500
- between \$2500 and \$10,000
- more than \$10,000

39. What is _____'s marital status?

- Married
- Divorced
- Widow/widower
- Separated
- Single (never married)

You were probably able to answer some of the questions about _____ from direct discussion you had in the group. Other questions were answered on the basis of inferences you made about how _____ might have behaved in different situations. We would like to know the basis for those inferences. Write a brief statement which describes what aspects of _____'s character, mannerisms, general experience, etc., led you to make the judgements you did. (If it is easier, use specific questions and indicate why you answered as you did.)

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APPENDIX I--ADJECTIVE CHECKLISTS

Check each of the following adjectives you think apply to yourself.

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Absent-minded | 72. <input type="checkbox"/> Leisurely |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Active | 73. <input type="checkbox"/> Logical |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Adaptable | 74. <input type="checkbox"/> Loud |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Adventurous | 75. <input type="checkbox"/> Loyal |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Affected | 76. <input type="checkbox"/> Mature |
| 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive | 77. <input type="checkbox"/> Meek |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Alert | 78. <input type="checkbox"/> Mischievous |
| 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Aloof | 79. <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate |
| 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Ambitious | 80. <input type="checkbox"/> Moody |
| 10. <input type="checkbox"/> Anxious | 81. <input type="checkbox"/> Noisy |
| 11. <input type="checkbox"/> Apathetic | 82. <input type="checkbox"/> Opportunistic |
| 12. <input type="checkbox"/> Appreciative | 83. <input type="checkbox"/> Optimistic |
| 13. <input type="checkbox"/> Assertive | 84. <input type="checkbox"/> Organized |
| 14. <input type="checkbox"/> Attractive | 85. <input type="checkbox"/> Painstaking |
| 15. <input type="checkbox"/> Bitter | 86. <input type="checkbox"/> Persevering |
| 16. <input type="checkbox"/> Boastful | 87. <input type="checkbox"/> Playful |
| 17. <input type="checkbox"/> Capable | 88. <input type="checkbox"/> Poised |
| 18. <input type="checkbox"/> Careless | 89. <input type="checkbox"/> Polished |
| 19. <input type="checkbox"/> Cheerful | 90. <input type="checkbox"/> Practical |
| 20. <input type="checkbox"/> Clear-thinking | 91. <input type="checkbox"/> Precise |
| 21. <input type="checkbox"/> Commonplace | 92. <input type="checkbox"/> Progressive |
| 22. <input type="checkbox"/> Complaining | 93. <input type="checkbox"/> Quarrelsome |
| 23. <input type="checkbox"/> Conceited | 94. <input type="checkbox"/> Quitting |
| 24. <input type="checkbox"/> Confident | 95. <input type="checkbox"/> Rational |
| 25. <input type="checkbox"/> Conscientious | 96. <input type="checkbox"/> Rattle Brained |
| 26. <input type="checkbox"/> Conservative | 97. <input type="checkbox"/> Reasonable |
| 27. <input type="checkbox"/> Considerate | 98. <input type="checkbox"/> Rebellious |
| 28. <input type="checkbox"/> Conventional | 99. <input type="checkbox"/> Reckless |
| 29. <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative | 100. <input type="checkbox"/> Reliable |
| 30. <input type="checkbox"/> Courageous | 101. <input type="checkbox"/> Resentful |
| 31. <input type="checkbox"/> Cruel | 102. <input type="checkbox"/> Reserved |
| 32. <input type="checkbox"/> Cynical | 103. <input type="checkbox"/> Resourceful |
| 33. <input type="checkbox"/> Daring | 104. <input type="checkbox"/> Responsible |
| 34. <input type="checkbox"/> Defensive | 105. <input type="checkbox"/> Rude |
| 35. <input type="checkbox"/> Deliberate | 106. <input type="checkbox"/> Self-centered |
| 36. <input type="checkbox"/> Demanding | 107. <input type="checkbox"/> Self-controlled |
| 37. <input type="checkbox"/> Dependent | 108. <input type="checkbox"/> Self-denying |
| 38. <input type="checkbox"/> Determined | 109. <input type="checkbox"/> Serious |
| 39. <input type="checkbox"/> Disorderly | 110. <input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-witted |
| 40. <input type="checkbox"/> Dominant | 111. <input type="checkbox"/> Shiftless |
| 41. <input type="checkbox"/> Easygoing | 112. <input type="checkbox"/> Shrewd |
| 42. <input type="checkbox"/> Efficient | 113. <input type="checkbox"/> Silent |
| 43. <input type="checkbox"/> Energetic | 114. <input type="checkbox"/> Slipshod |
| 44. <input type="checkbox"/> Enterprising | 115. <input type="checkbox"/> Sociable |
| 45. <input type="checkbox"/> Enthusiastic | 116. <input type="checkbox"/> Soft-hearted |
| 46. <input type="checkbox"/> Excitable | 117. <input type="checkbox"/> Spendthrift |
| 47. <input type="checkbox"/> Fair-minded | 118. <input type="checkbox"/> Spontaneous |
| 48. <input type="checkbox"/> Fault-finding | 119. <input type="checkbox"/> Spunky |
| 50. <input type="checkbox"/> Forgetful | 120. <input type="checkbox"/> Steady |
| 51. <input type="checkbox"/> Forgiving | 121. <input type="checkbox"/> Strong |
| 52. <input type="checkbox"/> Frivolous | 122. <input type="checkbox"/> Submissive |
| 53. <input type="checkbox"/> Fussy | 123. <input type="checkbox"/> Sympathetic |
| 54. <input type="checkbox"/> Gentle | 124. <input type="checkbox"/> Tactless |
| 55. <input type="checkbox"/> Good natured | 125. <input type="checkbox"/> Thorough |
| 56. <input type="checkbox"/> Hasty | 126. <input type="checkbox"/> Thrifty |
| 57. <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy | 127. <input type="checkbox"/> Timid |
| 58. <input type="checkbox"/> High strung | 128. <input type="checkbox"/> Tolerant |
| 59. <input type="checkbox"/> Hostile | 129. <input type="checkbox"/> Trusting |
| 60. <input type="checkbox"/> Humorous | 130. <input type="checkbox"/> Unaffected |
| 61. <input type="checkbox"/> Hurried | 131. <input type="checkbox"/> Unambitious |
| 62. <input type="checkbox"/> Independent | 132. <input type="checkbox"/> Unconventional |
| 63. <input type="checkbox"/> Indifferent | 133. <input type="checkbox"/> Undependable |
| 64. <input type="checkbox"/> Industrious | 134. <input type="checkbox"/> Unemotional |
| 65. <input type="checkbox"/> Initiative | 135. <input type="checkbox"/> Unkind |
| 66. <input type="checkbox"/> Intelligent | 136. <input type="checkbox"/> Unstable |
| 67. <input type="checkbox"/> Interests narrow | 137. <input type="checkbox"/> Vindictive |
| 68. <input type="checkbox"/> Interests wide | 138. <input type="checkbox"/> Versatile |
| 69. <input type="checkbox"/> Irresponsible | 139. <input type="checkbox"/> Weak |
| 70. <input type="checkbox"/> Irritable | 140. <input type="checkbox"/> Weak |
| 71. <input type="checkbox"/> Lazy | 141. <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesome |
| | 142. <input type="checkbox"/> Wise |

How is _____ filling out the items on this scale? _____, how do you think he/she is answering these items about himself/herself. Or how does he/she see himself/herself?

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. _____ Absent-minded | 72. _____ Leisurely |
| 2. _____ Active | 73. _____ Logical |
| 3. _____ Adaptable | 74. _____ Loud |
| 4. _____ Adventurous | 75. _____ Loyal |
| 5. _____ Affected | 76. _____ Mature |
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| 7. _____ Alert | 78. _____ Mischievous |
| 8. _____ Aloof | 79. _____ Moderate |
| 9. _____ Ambitious | 80. _____ Moody |
| 10. _____ Anxious | 81. _____ Noisy |
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| 12. _____ Appreciative | 83. _____ Optimistic |
| 13. _____ Assertive | 84. _____ Organized |
| 14. _____ Attractive | 85. _____ Painstaking |
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| 19. _____ Cheerful | 90. _____ Practical |
| 20. _____ Clear-thinking | 91. _____ Precise |
| 21. _____ Commonplace | 92. _____ Progressive |
| 22. _____ Complaining | 93. _____ Quarrelsome |
| 23. _____ Conceited | 94. _____ Quitting |
| 24. _____ Confident | 95. _____ Rational |
| 25. _____ Conscientious | 96. _____ Rattle Brained |
| 26. _____ Conservative | 97. _____ Reasonable |
| 27. _____ Considerate | 98. _____ Rebellious |
| 28. _____ Conventional | 99. _____ Reckless |
| 29. _____ Cooperative | 100. _____ Reliable |
| 30. _____ Courageous | 101. _____ Resentful |
| 31. _____ Cruel | 102. _____ Reserved |
| 32. _____ Cynical | 103. _____ Resourceful |
| 33. _____ Daring | 104. _____ Resonsible |
| 34. _____ Defensive | 105. _____ Rude |
| 35. _____ Deliberate | 106. _____ Self-centered |
| 36. _____ Demanding | 107. _____ Self-controlled |
| 37. _____ Dependent | 108. _____ Self-denying |
| 38. _____ Determined | 109. _____ Serious |
| 39. _____ Disorderly | 110. _____ Sham-witted |
| 40. _____ Dominant | 111. _____ Shiftless |
| 41. _____ Easygoing | 112. _____ Shrewd |
| 42. _____ Efficient | 113. _____ Silent |
| 43. _____ Energetic | 114. _____ Slipshod |
| 44. _____ Enterprising | 115. _____ Sociable |
| 45. _____ Enthusiastic | 116. _____ Soft-hearted |
| 46. _____ Excitable | 117. _____ Spend thrift |
| 47. _____ Fair-minded | 118. _____ Spontaneous |
| 48. _____ Fault-finding | 119. _____ Spunky |
| 49. _____ Forgetful | 120. _____ Steady |
| 50. _____ Forgiving | 121. _____ Strong |
| 51. _____ Frivolous | 122. _____ Submissive |
| 52. _____ Fussy | 123. _____ Sympathetic |
| 53. _____ Gentle | 124. _____ Tactless |
| 54. _____ Good natured | 125. _____ Thorough |
| 55. _____ Hasty | 126. _____ Thrifty |
| 56. _____ Healthy | 127. _____ Timid |
| 57. _____ High strung | 128. _____ Tolerant |
| 58. _____ Hostile | 129. _____ Trusting |
| 59. _____ Humorous | 130. _____ Unaffected |
| 60. _____ Hurried | 131. _____ Unambitious |
| 61. _____ Independent | 132. _____ Unconventional |
| 62. _____ Indifferent | 133. _____ Undependable |
| 63. _____ Industrious | 134. _____ Unheroical |
| 64. _____ Initiative | 135. _____ Unkind |
| 65. _____ Intelligent | 136. _____ Unstable |
| 66. _____ Interests narrow | 137. _____ Vindictive |
| 67. _____ Interests wide | 138. _____ Versatile |
| 68. _____ Irresponsible | 139. _____ Warm |
| 69. _____ Irritable | 140. _____ Weak |
| 70. _____ Lazy | 141. _____ Wholesome |
| | 142. _____ Wise |

APPENDIX J--DESCRIPTION OF ADJECTIVE CHECKLIST (ACL)
CONSTRUCTION PROCESS

The length of the ACL in its original form necessitated modification (shortening) for use in this research.* The following steps were taken to systematically reduce the number of items in the test without violating the integrity of each of the scales retained:

(1) Of the 23 possible scales involved in the complete ACL (240 items), only eight were selected for inclusion in this survey. They are: 1. Self-Confidence; 2. Self-Control; 3. Personal Adjustment; 4. Achievement (need); 5. Endurance; 6. Affiliation (need); 7. Aggression; 8. Change. These were selected because they seemed more relevant to the objectives of this study⁺ and because the scales were similar to some of the dimensions of the 16PF, the major personality measure used among predictor variables.

(2) Over 180 items still remained after this first step, requiring a further reduction. A potential interest in the positive-negative dimension of the ACL prompted the elimination of all items with contradictory interpretations, defined as any case in which an item was considered a positive factor on one scale and a negative on another. This procedure reduced the total list to 142 items, all of which can be uniformly interpreted as either positive or negative.

We realize that this procedure, particularly step 2, could have been based on better empirical criteria; however, time and funds did not permit a methodologically more sophisticated approach. Furthermore, our purpose

* Gough, Harrison G. and Heilbrun, Alfred B., ACL; The Adjective Checklist Manual, Palo Alto, Consulting Psychologists Press, 1965, 1971.

⁺ They were chosen because they represented some of the characteristics potentially important under the "real world" conditions presented by the Technical Monitor as the focus of the project.

was to compare actual responses to inferred responses, and the validity of the scales, per se, was less important. Subjects checked items on an alphabetical list, not on predetermined scales, which were used only as a device for grouping responses. Individual items would not have less validity as representative of particular scales because other original scale items were absent.

APPENDIX K:

Frequency Distributions
for All Variables

TABLE K-1:

Distribution of Continuous Variables

VARIABLE	N	MEAN	STANDARD DEVIATION
Observation	188	8.8954	1.6913
Inference	188	27.7664	2.9351
Bob/Mary Jane	188	9.9656	2.4750
Film	188	9.0964	2.6450
Self-Confidence	188	5.8972	2.9300
Self-Control	188	4.0142	1.8739
Personal Adjustment	188	4.8564	2.4703
Achievement	188	6.7500	3.4394
Endurance	188	5.4858	2.6554
Affiliation	188	5.5621	2.7133
Aggression	186	4.6649	2.2871
Change	188	2.8777	1.5657
Differentiation	188	25.7393	10.1498
Interration	186	1.7052	0.6675
Cognitive Complexity	186	44.1452	24.8606
Reserved-Outgoing	188	5.4362	1.9406
Dull-Bright	188	5.6596	1.9570
Affected by Feelings-			
Emotionally Stable	188	5.3245	1.9611
Humble-Assertive	188	6.1330	1.9093
Sober/Happy-Go-Lucky	188	5.6330	1.7818
Expedient-Conscientious	188	5.0479	1.9411
Shy-Venturesome	188	6.0372	2.0143
Tough Minded-Tender Minded	188	5.6277	1.9096
Trusting-Suspicious	188	5.8830	1.9939
Practical-Imaginative	188	6.0266	1.9743
Forthright-Astute	188	5.4521	1.8508
Self-Assured/Apprehensive	188	5.5106	1.8514
Conservative-Experimenting	188	6.4362	1.9707
Group Dependent/Self-Sufficient	188	5.9681	1.8812
Undisciplined-Controlled	188	5.4787	1.9797
Relaxed-Tense	188	5.5745	2.0265
Extraversion-Introversion	187	5.7096	1.5749
Low Anxiety-High Anxiety	187	5.4893	1.7183
Sensitivity/Tough-Poise	187	5.8230	2.0818
Dependence-Independence	186	6.4086	1.6592
Sex	188	0.0638	1.0006
Grades	181	2.4696	0.8202
Marital Status	188	-0.6702	0.7442
Income	168	6.8095	2.7094
Protestant	154	0.4026	0.9184
Catholic	80	-0.1500	0.9949
Insurance Salesperson	188	-0.7021	0.7140
Internalizer/Externalizer	107	1.5981	0.4926
Regulated Flexible	107	1.4486	0.4997
Role Adaptive/Role Uniform	107	1.6916	0.4640
Normal	107	13.6449	7.6581

Table K-2: Distribution of Sample Elements
by Grades

Grades	Absolute Frequency	Relative Frequency (%)
Mostly A's	22	11.7
Mostly A's and B's	67	35.6
Mostly B's and C's	78	41.5
Mostly C's and D's	13	6.9
Mostly D's and below	1	0.5
No response	7	3.7
	<u>188</u>	<u>99.9%</u>

Table K-3: Distribution of Sample Elements
by Marital Status

Marital Status	Absolute Frequency	Relative Frequency
Married	31	16.5
Divorced	4	2.1
Widow/Widower	1	0.5
Separated	1	0.5
Single (Never married)	128	68.1
No response	23	12.2
	<u>188</u>	<u>99.9%</u>

Table K-4: Distribution of Sample Elements
by Religious Affiliation

Religions Affiliation	Absolute Frequency	Relative Frequency (%)
Protestant	108	57.4
Catholic	34	18.1
Other Christian	15	8.0
Jewish	14	7.4
Other	9	4.8
None	2	1.1
No Response	6	3.2
	<u>188</u>	<u>100</u>

Table K-5: Distribution of Sample Elements
by Income

Income (In Thousands of Dollars)	Absolute Frequency	Relative Frequency (%)
0	20	10.6
< 3	11	5.9
3 - 6	13	6.9
6 - 7.5	4	2.1
7.5 - 9	13	6.9
9 - 10.5	4	2.1
10.5 - 12	7	3.7
12 - 13.5	16	8.5
13.5 - 18	31	16.5
> 18	69	36.7
	<u>188</u>	<u>99.9</u>
	158	

APPENDIX L--FILM SELECTION AND QUESTIONNAIRE DEVELOPMENT

Our objective was to obtain a stimulus film with a "natural" setting for the observation of and making inferences about one or more persons. The film had to provide at least ten minutes of observational contact with each stimulus person in a situation which could offer a broad range of behavioral and emotional conditions. Finally, we needed to be able to determine if the inferences made by our subjects about film participants were correct or incorrect. These requirements eliminated films employing professional actors and those directed with a particular objective in mind. The remaining films were of natural group interactions with no specific goal, in which people were allowed to choose their own response patterns.

We selected as an observation and inference stimulus a condensation of six 45-minute to 1-hour films of a small "self-actualization" group.* It is 24 minutes long and focuses on two group participants, Bob and Mary Jane, each of whom appears for approximately half of the time, including several occasions on which they interact directly. The only other characters having significant roles in the film are the analyst and his assistant.

The original films were made for a television program, but are completely unrehearsed and follow the natural lines of discussion. On the basis of behaviors exhibited by the participants, it would appear that the television cameras had little effect on what was said or done. All participants knew about the filming and had agreed to participate in the sessions. In any case, we do not feel that any inhibition caused by being "on television" would represent a situation markedly different from real-life situations in which observers and inferrers might operate.

* We are indebted to Dr. Everett Shostrom of the Institute of Therapeutic Psychology for permission to use and modify these films for the purposes of our experiment.

The six original films were edited to select the maximum number of sequences in which Bob and Mary Jane were the major participants. An attempt was also made to include the full range of emotional behavior expressed by Bob and Mary Jane.

Questionnaire Development

After the film was edited and put onto a single reel, questionnaires on observations of the film and inferences about the major characters were developed. The observation items were constructed on the basis of repeated viewings of the film by the researcher and two assistants. Since we did not know what kind of observations would be most useful for making inferences about other aspects of the participants' lives, we restricted ourselves to the kind of questions to be used in the group discussion session questionnaires. These included questions about physical appearance, setting, and certain activities carried out by Bob and Mary Jane. (See Appendix D.) We did not have time to pretest the film questionnaire (the films arrived too late to allow development and scheduling of pretests) and therefore used only our own judgment as to what were useful items. A further development of this questionnaire is suggested if it is to be used in subsequent studies of this type.

The inference questionnaires (one for Bob and one for Mary Jane) were also modeled after those used for the group sessions. Included were items about the past behavior of Bob and Mary Jane which closely paralleled those asked of the subjects in the behavior questionnaire. Our intention was to create a situation in which differences in the responses to the two questionnaires could be attributed to the differences in the stimulus (Bob and Mary Jane versus group members) rather than in the kinds of information elicited.

Since it was not possible to contact Bob and Mary Jane personally, criteria information for determining the correctness of subjects' inferences was provided by Dr. Everett Shostrom, who had both as patients for some time prior to the creation of the films. This was the most reliable procedure available for obtaining the needed information on the films we used or any we were able to locate.

APPENDIX '1':

Correlation Matrix for All
Continuous Variables

The correlation matrix for all continuous variables appears on the following page. It should be noted that $p > .05$ when $r = .12$ or greater for all variables but PAS results and Normal Score. Further, $p > .05$ when $r = .17$ or greater for all PAS variables. A listing of the variables appears below:

OBS	Observation
INF	Inference
BMJ	Bob/Mary Jane
FF	Film
ACL01	Self-Confidence
ACL02	Self-Control
ACL03	Personal Adjustment
ACL04	Achievement
ACL05	Endurance
ACL06	Affiliation
ACL07	Aggression
ACL08	Change
CCS1	Differentiation
CCS2	Integration
CCS3	Cognitive Complexity
PF01	Reserved-Outgoing
PF02	Dull-Bright
PF03	Affected by Feelings - Stable
PF04	Humble-Assertive
PF05	Sober-Happy-Go-Lucky
PF06	Expedient-Conscientious
PF07	Shy-Venturesome
PF08	Tough-Tender Minded
PF09	Trusting-Suspicious
PF10	Practical-Imaginative
PF11	Forthright-Astute
PF12	Self-Assured/Apprehensive
PF13	Conservative-Experimenting
PF14	Group Dependent/Self-Sufficient
PF15	Undisciplined-Controlled
PF16	Relaxed-Tense
PF17	Extraversion-Introversion
PF18	Low Anxiety-High Anxiety
PF19	Sensitivity/Tough-Poise
PF20	Dependence-Independence
SEX	Sex
GRADE	Grades
MARST	Marital Status
INCOM	Income
REL1	Protestant
REL2	Catholic
INS	Insurance Salesperson
I-E	Internalizer/Externalizer
R-F	Regulated/Flexible
A-U	Role Adaptive/Role Uniform
NORM	Normal Score

Correlation Matrix for all Continuous Variables

	Q25	INF	BMJ	FILM	ACL01	ACL02	ACL03	ACL04	ACL05	ACL06	ACL07	ACL08	CCS1	CCS2	CCS3	PF01	PF02	PF03	PF04	PF05	PF06	PF07	PF08	PF09	PF10	PF11	PF12	PF13	PF14		
INF	.15																														
BMJ	.12	.06																													
FILM	.05	.16	.05																												
ACL01	-.07	-.20	.06	-.11																											
ACL02	.01	-.15	.02	-.16	.60																										
ACL03	-.02	-.14	.07	-.06	.63	.52																									
ACL04	-.03	-.13	.06	-.14	.60	.65	.55																								
ACL05	.04	-.14	.00	-.13	.64	.74	.65	.76																							
ACL06	-.04	-.20	.02	-.10	.66	.58	.70	.57	.52																						
ACL07	.10	-.15	.01	-.17	.40	.55	.49	.47	.55	.39																					
ACL08	.03	-.18	-.04	-.06	.47	.35	.45	.43	.34	.52	.30																				
CCS1	.01	.07	-.02	-.13	-.05	.02	.00	-.04	.02	-.02	.06	.04																			
CCS2	-.03	-.11	-.13	.05	.06	.05	.00	.07	.06	.07	.05	.02	.02																		
CCS3	-.02	-.01	-.11	-.05	-.02	.03	.02	-.06	.03	.02	.11	.05	.70	.69																	
PF01	.11	.00	.08	.06	-.02	-.03	-.03	.06	-.02	.02	-.07	.11	.08	-.19	-.08																
PF02	-.03	.08	-.01	.07	.01	.04	.08	.02	.03	-.02	.04	-.09	.10	.04	.10	-.05															
PF03	-.13	.03	.10	-.05	.02	-.04	.07	.05	.02	.03	-.13	.06	.00	.04	.02	.10	.00														
PF04	.06	-.01	.12	.00	-.10	-.04	.00	-.04	-.04	-.01	.12	-.07	.05	-.12	-.02	-.06	-.10	-.08													
PF05	.04	-.06	.07	.05	.02	.08	.05	.05	.09	.07	.08	-.01	.10	.01	.09	.06	.02	.11	.17												
PF06	.02	.06	.06	.01	-.02	-.12	.05	-.01	-.06	-.05	-.17	.09	.05	.00	.00	.13	.05	.13	-.24	.04											
PF07	.03	.03	.07	.13	-.07	-.01	-.04	.03	.03	-.14	-.09	.04	.08	-.03	.04	.32	-.13	.23	.17	.24	.04										
PF08	.03	.14	.02	.06	-.05	-.12	-.03	-.02	-.07	-.04	-.05	.07	.05	-.07	-.01	.24	.02	.04	-.11	-.04	.05	.06									
PF09	.04	.03	-.05	-.01	-.19	-.15	-.15	-.14	-.12	-.13	-.05	-.04	.03	.03	.04	-.12	.04	-.25	.29	-.06	-.13	-.04	-.12								
PF10	.02	.05	-.06	-.03	.07	.04	.03	.15	.16	-.04	.00	.04	.07	.01	.04	.11	.01	-.08	.02	-.15	-.05	.07	.25	.05							
PF11	-.03	-.07	.00	-.10	.06	.05	.00	.05	.01	.03	-.01	.08	.07	-.06	.00	.03	.08	-.23	-.02	-.14	.19	-.24	.01	.10	.00						
PF12	.01	-.03	-.05	-.01	.00	.09	-.05	-.02	.03	-.02	.05	-.06	.08	.00	.04	-.08	.03	-.48	-.01	-.11	-.03	-.23	-.11	.18	-.03	.28					
PF13	.11	.11	-.11	-.04	.03	.04	-.01	.02	.03	.00	-.03	-.07	-.02	.13	.10	-.01	.03	-.11	.08	-.03	-.12	-.03	.27	.01	.31	-.06	.04				
PF14	-.03	.04	-.20	.02	-.04	.00	-.03	-.09	-.05	-.06	-.12	.01	.10	.09	-.31	.20	-.25	.15	-.32	-.17	-.27	.09	.67	.15	.10	.19	.22				
PF15	-.06	.01	.09	.03	.02	-.04	.06	.00	-.06	-.01	-.12	.05	.01	.03	.00	.25	.07	.27	-.34	.00	.32	.21	.13	-.25	.07	-.02	-.12	-.11	-.18		
PF16	-.02	-.10	-.10	-.09	-.06	.02	-.12	-.04	-.05	-.01	.02	.00	.11	-.06	.05	-.12	.05	-.39	.15	-.03	-.16	-.30	-.11	.32	-.07	.29	.49	.04	.21		
PF17	.03	-.02	.16	.03	-.09	-.03	-.01	.00	.00	-.02	-.02	.02	.08	-.10	-.01	.40	-.15	.23	.36	.68	.07	.62	-.11	.04	-.15	-.25	-.27	-.14	-.61		
PF18	.04	-.12	-.09	-.05	-.06	.04	-.10	-.06	-.03	-.01	.06	-.03	.08	-.04	.03	-.15	.08	-.67	.11	-.12	-.06	-.40	-.10	.42	-.13	.36	.75	.04	.26		
PF19	-.12	-.23	.04	-.03	-.06	.04	-.01	-.06	-.02	-.03	.12	-.15	-.01	.19	.13	-.52	-.01	.04	.40	.32	-.29	.04	-.53	.25	-.24	-.21	-.02	-.16	.00		
PF20	-.10	.14	-.03	.02	-.08	-.07	-.03	-.02	-.12	-.10	.04	-.09	.02	-.03	.03	-.05	.07	-.05	.62	-.04	-.33	.20	.24	.30	.57	-.19	-.21	.51	.38		
PF21	.02	-.26	-.22	.07	.07	-.17	-.09	-.07	-.16	-.01	-.23	.09	-.15	-.03	-.14	.08	.05	.08	-.22	.00	.07	-.01	-.03	-.12	-.10	.03	.00	-.12	-.16		
PF22	.06	.05	.06	.07	.01	.00	-.06	-.02	-.05	-.02	.16	-.06	.01	-.03	-.05	-.08	-.15	.03	.07	-.08	.05	-.08	.09	-.18	.09	-.02	.00	-.11			
PF23	-.07	.03	-.06	-.05	-.05	-.14	-.17	-.05	-.11	-.14	-.21	-.05	-.04	-.11	-.11	.22	-.09	.09	.04	.60	.09	.17	.10	.01	.05	.03	-.09	.60	-.05		
PF24	.07	.01	.11	.03	.00	-.15	-.06	-.09	-.09	-.06	-.03	.06	.05	-.11	-.02	.07	-.04	.05	.02	.07	.02	.23	.03	.09	-.02	-.14	-.17	-.11	-.20		
PF25	.20	.02	.00	-.06	.02	.07	.09	-.02	.07	.01	.17	.01	.00	.15	.11	-.11	.10	-.11	.16	.10	-.16	-.12	-.04	.14	-.16	-.04	.09	.66	.09		
PF26	.21	.23	.02	-.07	-.08	-.16	-.11	-.12	-.11	-.13	.06	.07	-.05	.18	.10	.15	-.01	.01	-.01	.14	-.05	.04	.13	.13	-.22	-.05	-.21	.00	-.17		
PF27	-.04	.11	.01	.08	-.09	-.17	-.15	-.07	-.23	-.14	-.26	.06	.10	-.20	-.09	.43	.01	.20	-.02	-.01	.14	.25	.26	-.06	.09	.04	-.27	-.04	-.11		
PF28	.15	.03	.23	.03	-.12	-.06	-.11	-.08	-.09	-.06	-.08	-.09	-.06	-.09	-.11	.14	-.11	.01	-.05	-.03	.04	.06	.04	-.16	-.17	.03	-.06	-.05	-.15		
PF29	.07	.03	-.03	-.06	.02	.09	.06	.17	.07	.05	-.01	.13	.12	-.08	.03	.15	.02	.01	-.04	.06	.06	.16	.21	.05	.15	.01	-.13	-.06	-.03		
PF30	-.10	-.14	-.01	-.04	-.09	.00	-.02	-.05	-.11	.03	-.14	.01	.02	.00	.00	.09	.09	-.01	-.02	-.15	.01	.08	.15	.00	.21	.12	.04	.07	.01		
PF31	-.13	.18	-.11	-.13	.03	-.03	.10	-.02	-.04	.00	.03	.03	.25	.01	.19	-.19	.13	-.13	.04	-.04	-.03	-.02	.10	-.05	.06	-.03	.00	.12	.22		

** Correlation could not be computed

APPENDIX N
Covariance Tables for PAS
and
Observation/Inference

Key for Variable Symbols

CCS5 = Cognitive Complexity Level
Normal = Normal Level (from WAIS)
CSEX = Sex
AU1 = Role Adaptive - Role Uniform Dimension
RF1 = Regulated - - Flexible Dimension
PL = Primitive Level

Table N-1: Distribution of Sample Elements by
 Primitive Levels of the WAIS
 Personality Assessment System (PAS)

Primitive Level	Absolute Frequency	Relative Frequency
ERA	10	.09%
ERU	15	.14
EFA	4	.04
EFU	14	.13
IRA	12	.11
IRU	21	.20
IFA	7	.07
IFU	23	.22
	<hr/> 106	<hr/> 100%

Table N-2: Distribution of Sample Elements
by Basic Level of the WAIS
Personality Assessment System (PAS)

Basic Level	Absolute Frequency	Relative Frequency
Ic or Eu <u>and</u> Ru or Fc <u>and</u> Au or Uc	2	.02
Ic or Eu <u>and</u> Ru or Fc <u>and</u> Ac or Uu	1	.01
Ic or Eu <u>and</u> Rc or Fu <u>and</u> Au or Uc	22	.21
Ic or Eu <u>and</u> Rc or Fu <u>and</u> Ac or Uu	10	.09
Iu or Ec <u>and</u> Ru or Fc <u>and</u> Au or Uc	1	.01
Iu or Ec <u>and</u> Ru or Fc <u>and</u> Ac or Uu	2	.02
Iu or Ec <u>and</u> Rc or Fu <u>and</u> Au or Uc	36	.34
Iu or Ec <u>and</u> Rc or Fu <u>and</u> Ac or Uu	32	.30
	<hr/> 106	<hr/> 100%

Table N-3: Distribution of Sample Elements
within each Dimension

	N	Absolute Frequency	Relative Frequency
Internalized		43	.41
Externalized		63	.59
		<hr/> 106	<hr/> 100%
Regulated		58	.55
Flexible		48	.45
		<hr/> 106	<hr/> 100%
Role Adaptive		33	.31
Role Uniform		75	.69
		<hr/> 106	<hr/> 100%

TABLE N-4:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Observation by Internalizer-Externalizer Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE CF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	5.496	2	2.748	1.025	0.364
CCS3	5.423	1	5.423	2.023	0.154
	0.035	1	0.035	0.013	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	66.391	2	33.195	12.381	0.001
IE1	59.207	1	59.207	22.083	0.001
	1.157	1	1.157	0.431	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX IE1	0.841	1	0.841	0.314	0.999
	0.841	1	0.841	0.314	0.999
EXPLAINED	72.727	5	14.545	5.425	0.001
RESIDUAL	268.112	100	2.681		
TOTAL	340.840	105	3.246		
COVARIATE					
NORMAL					BETA
CCS3					-0.030
					0.001

TABLE N-5:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS
Observation by RF Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	5.496	2	2.748	1.032	0.361
CCS5	5.423	1	5.423	2.037	0.153
	0.035	1	0.035	0.037	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	65.293	2	32.647	12.265	0.001
RF1	63.523	1	63.523	23.864	0.001
	0.059	1	0.059	0.022	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX	3.862	1	3.862	1.451	0.229
RF1	3.862	1	3.862	1.451	0.229
EXPLAINED	74.651	5	14.930	5.609	0.001
RESIDUAL	266.189	100	2.662		
TOTAL	340.840	105	3.246		
COVARIATE					
NORMAL					BETA
CCS5					-0.030
					0.001

TABLE N-6:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS
Observation by AU Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	5.496	2	2.748	1.022	0.365
CCS3	5.423	1	5.423	2.017	0.155
	0.035	1	0.035	0.013	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	66.553	2	33.277	12.380	0.001
AUI	63.752	1	63.752	23.718	0.001
	1.519	1	1.519	0.491	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX AUI	0.000	1	0.000	0.000	0.000
	0.000	1	0.000	0.000	0.000
EXPLAINED	72.049	5	14.410	5.361	0.001
RESIDUAL	268.791	100	2.688		
TOTAL	340.840	105	3.246		
COVARIATE	BETA				
NORMAL	-0.030				
CCS3	0.001				

TABLE N-7:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS
Observation by PL Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	5.496	2	2.748	1.003	0.372
CCS3	5.423	1	5.423	1.980	0.159
	0.037	1	0.035	0.013	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	78.911	8	9.864	3.602	0.001
PL	60.996	1	60.996	22.274	0.001
	13.677	7	1.954	0.713	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX	15.447	7	2.207	0.806	0.999
PL	15.447	7	2.207	0.806	0.999
EXPLAINED	99.854	17	5.874	2.145	0.011
RESIDUAL	240.985	88	2.738		
TOTAL	340.840	105	3.246		
COVARIATE					
NORMAL	BETA				
CCS3	-0.030				
	0.001				

TABLE N-3:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Inference by Internalizer-Externalizer Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	32.449	2	16.224	2.037	0.134
CCS3	31.981	1	31.981	4.014	0.045
	3.121	1	3.121	0.392	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	56.021	2	28.010	3.516	0.033
IE1	54.213	1	54.213	6.805	0.010
	0.028	1	0.028	0.003	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX IF1	7.355	1	7.355	0.923	0.999
	7.355	1	7.355	0.923	0.999
EXPLAINED	95.824	5	19.165	2.406	0.042
RESIDUAL	796.634	100	7.966		
TOTAL	892.458	105	8.500		
COVARIATE BETA					
NORMAL	0.073				
CCS3	-0.007				

TABLE N-9:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Inference by AU Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES	32.449	2	16.224	2.085	0.127
NORMAL	31.981	1	31.981	4.110	0.043
CCS3	3.121	1	3.121	0.401	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS	73.157	2	36.579	4.701	0.011
CSEX	51.783	1	51.783	6.654	0.011
AUI	17.164	1	17.164	2.206	0.137
2-WAY INTERACTIONS	8.681	1	8.681	1.116	0.294
CSEX	8.681	1	8.681	1.116	0.294
AUI					
EXPLAINED	114.286	5	22.857	2.937	0.016
RESIDUAL	778.172	100	7.782		
TOTAL	892.453	105	8.500		
COVARIATE					
NORMAL					BETA
CCS3					0.073
					-0.007

TABLE N-10:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS
 Film Observation by AU Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	28.741	2	14.370	2.145	0.120
CCS3	6.340	1	6.340	0.946	0.999
	17.268	1	17.268	2.577	0.107
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	7.760	2	3.880	0.579	0.999
AUI	7.521	1	7.521	1.123	0.292
	0.445	1	0.445	0.066	0.999
2-Way Interactions					
CSEX	7.597	1	7.597	1.134	0.290
AUI	7.597	1	7.597	1.134	0.290
EXPLAINED	44.098	5	8.820	1.316	0.290
RESIDUAL	669.949	100	6.699		
TOTAL	714.047	105	6.800		
COVARIATE					
NORMAL					BETA
CCS3					-0.033
					-0.016

TABLE N-11:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Bob and Mary Jane Inference by AU Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	14.241	2	7.120	1.109	0.335
CCS3	5.197	1	5.197	0.809	0.999
	6.293	1	6.293	0.980	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	17.342	2	8.671	1.350	0.263
AUI	17.335	1	17.335	2.700	0.099
	0.126	1	0.126	0.020	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX	3.994	1	3.994	0.622	0.999
AUI	3.994	1	3.994	0.622	0.999
EXPLAINED	35.577	5	7.115	1.108	0.361
RESIDUAL	642.107	100	6.421		
TOTAL	677.684	105	6.454		
COVARIATE	BETA				
NORMAL	-0.029				
CCS3	-0.010				

TABLE N-12:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Bob and Mary Jane Inference by RF Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES	14.241	2	7.120	1.118	0.332
NORMAL	5.197	1	5.197	0.816	0.999
CCS3	6.293	1	6.293	0.988	0.999
MAIN EFFECTS	19.252	2	9.616	1.510	0.224
CSEX	18.514	1	18.514	2.906	0.087
RF1	2.017	1	2.017	0.317	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS	7.188	1	7.188	1.128	0.291
CSEX RF1	7.188	1	7.188	1.128	0.291
EXPLAINED	40.662	5	8.132	1.277	0.279
RESIDUAL	637.023	100	6.370		
TOTAL	677.684	105	6.454		

COVARIATE BETA
 Normal -0.029
 CCS3 -0.010

TABLE N-13:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS

Bob and Mary Jane Inference by PL Dimension and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES					
NORMAL	14.241	2	7.120	1.146	0.323
CCS3	5.197	1	5.197	0.836	0.999
TOTAL	6.293	1	6.293	1.013	0.318
MAIN EFFECTS					
CSEX	89.492	8	11.167	1.800	0.087
PL	10.000	1	10.000	1.610	0.205
TOTAL	72.277	7	10.325	1.662	0.128
2-WAY INTERACTIONS					
CSEX PL	27.184	7	3.883	0.625	0.999
TOTAL	27.184	7	3.883	0.625	0.999
EXPLAINED	130.918	17	7.701	1.239	0.252
RESIDUAL	546.767	88	6.213		
TOTAL	677.684	105	6.454		
COVARIATE	BETA				
NORMAL	-0.029				
CCS3	-0.010				

TABLE N-14:

Analysis of Covariance for PAS
Film Observation by PL and Sex

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DF	MEAN SQUARE	F	SIGNIFICANCE OF F
COVARIATES	28.741	2	14.370	2.268	0.107
NORMAL	6.340	1	6.340	1.000	0.321
CCS3	17.268	1	17.268	2.725	0.098
MAIN EFFECTS	39.666	8	4.958	0.782	0.999
CSEX	4.477	1	4.477	0.707	0.999
PL	32.351	7	4.622	0.729	0.999
2-WAY INTERACTIONS	88.026	7	12.575	1.985	0.066
CSEX	88.026	7	12.575	1.985	0.066
EXPLAINED	156.433	17	9.202	1.452	0.132
RESIDUAL	557.615	88	6.337		
TOTAL	714.047	105	6.800		
COVARIATE					BETA
NORMAL					-0.033
CCS3					-0.016